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NEW SOUTH WALES



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TRI-STATE FOOTBALL

State League action from around the nation.

ABOVE: Tom Divljak (Canterbury) comes in on his Blacktown City opponent. Photo: Steve Gosch/Avenews.

CENTRE: Paul Carter (Adelaide Hellas) in foreground against Beograd. Successive wins over Beograd (3-1) and Birkalla (2-1) put the Adelaide club in the NSL playoffs. Photo: Janusz Kamma.

BELOW: Victorian club Fawcner's widely respected player-coach Claude Luchessi encircled by Bulleen players. Pic: Joe Montemurro.

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SOUTH AUSTRALIA



VICTORIA

BRADLEY REPORT AFTERMATH...

ASF, NSL SEE THE LIGHT!

BY KEITH GILMOUR

SATURDAY'S Australian Soccer Federation meeting achieved some of the most outstanding results in the 110 year history of the game in the Commonwealth.

The combined ASF/NSL organisation will have a highly credible structure at last, as defined in the Bradley Report.

A chief executive will be aided by ASF and NSL administrative managers.

In turn, the combined organisation will be served by the marketing manager, finance controller and national youth development officer, all yet to be appointed.

The national coach and assistant national coach are already in place, with the new national director of coaching to be appointed (see advertisement in last week's ASW.)

ASF chairman John Constantine said: "We had an excellent and constructive meeting.

"The NSL clubs can be happy that they will control



John Constantine

40% of the votes in the ASF when the constitutional alterations are approved."

NSL chairman Sam Papasavas put a strong case for the present NSL clubs, following their Friday afternoon meeting.

The NSL is smiling after ending last season \$200,000 ahead, with the assistance of the Victorian Health Promotion Fund and the first summer season.

The grey areas remaining are promotion and relegation, as well as the number of clubs to be in the reconstituted league.

Regionalisation comes in for the 1991/92 season.

Any new cities admitted will have to meet stringent

guidelines.

Promotion and relegation, rejected by the major Australian sports, will be reviewed by the ASF, NSL and the NSW and Victorian Federations.

The regionalised NSL is to have a minimum of 14 clubs.

Should Brisbane put up a top case it would be impossible to exclude them.

Newcastle and Canberra must be in with a chance if they can get their acts together.

Which clubs replace demoted Blacktown City and Adelaide Hellas for the coming NSL season are yet to be determined.

As it stands one place could go to

Sydney, Wollongong, Canberra or (less likely) Newcastle on one hand, and the second to either Melbourne, Brisbane or Adelaide on the other.

The NSL clubs opposed the four Sydney, four Melbourne club concept outlined by Bradley,



Sam Papasavas

but the principle of regionalisation was accepted.

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AND MUCH, MUCH MORE

FIFA alters Laws

FIFA has made various amendments to the Laws of the Game, following the meeting of the International FA Board on June 28.

The changes, together with other Board decisions, have to be enforced from July 25, are:

1. Law IV Players' Equipment

- (1) (a) The basic compulsory equipment of a player shall consist of a jersey or shirt, shorts, stockings, shinguards and footwear.
- (b) A player shall not wear anything which is dangerous to another player.
- (2) Shinguards, which must be covered entirely by the stockings, shall be made of a suitable material (rubber, plastic, polyurethane or similar substance) and shall afford a reasonable degree of protection.

(3) unaltered

Punishment and rest of law unaltered

New decision of the International FA Board

- (1) In international matches, international competitions, international club competitions and friendly matches between clubs of different national associations, the referee, prior to the start of the game, shall inspect the players' equipment and prevent any player whose equipment does not conform to the requirements of this Law from playing until such time as it does comply. The rules of any competition may include a similar provision.

2. Law XI Off-side — (1)

- (1) A player is in an off-side position if he is nearer to his opponents' goal-line than the ball, unless:
 - (a) he is in his own half of the field of play, or
 - (b) he is not nearer to his opponents' goal-line than at least two of his opponents.

Law XI Off-side — (3)

- (3) A player shall not be declared off-side by the referee.
 - (a) merely because of his being in an off-side position, or
 - (b) if he receives the ball, direct from a goal-kick, a corner-kick or a throw-in.

Law XI Off-side — Decisions of the International F.A. Board

New decision (2)

- (2) A player who is level with the second last opponent or with the last two opponents is not in an off-side position.

The International FA Board furthermore issued the following mandatory instruction, the advantages of which have already been demonstrated at the final competition of the 1990 World Cup in Italy:

If, in the opinion of the referee, a player who is moving towards his opponents' goal with an obvious opportunity to score a goal is intentionally and physically impeded by unlawful means, i.e. an offence punishable by a free kick (or a penalty kick), thus denying the attacking player's team the aforesaid goal-scoring opportunity, the offending player shall be sent off the field of play for serious foul play in accordance with Law XII (n).

This means specifically that if a player is unlawfully and physically or deliberately held back (by his jersey, shorts, or arm or by means of obstruction etc.) by the goalkeeper or another player from the opposing team while the player is advancing straight for the goal with no obstacles in his way and with an obvious chance of scoring, the referee must no longer caution the offending player but send him off immediately.

You are also requested to note the following two recommendations issued by the Editorial Committee of the International FA Board and which have the full support of the FIFA Referees' Committee.

a) Injured players

The referee should prevent a player who is bleeding profusely from taking any further part in a match until he has been adequately treated and the bleeding has stopped.

b) Field marking

A mark may be made off the field of play, 11 yards from the corner flag and at right angles to the goal-line, to help the referee ensure this distance is observed when a corner kick is being taken.

Saad and Edwards

Olympic pair star in Singapore

BY JOHN ECONOMOS

SYDNEY Olympic's champion strike-duo of Abbas Saad and Alistair Edwards have taken the Malaysian National Soccer League by storm.

The Olympic strikers, who are on loan to the Singapore club, are both proving a sensation.

Last week Singapore won their league match 5-2, with Edwards scoring a spectacular hat-trick



ABBAS SAAD

and Saad adding another.

When Saad and Edwards first arrived to join the club, it was languishing in seventh

position in the Malaysian NSL.

But the two Olympic stars immediately rolled up their sleeves, ripping defences apart and scoring heaps of goals.

Now Singapore has rocketed to the top of the competition.

Not only have the pair lifted their team to leadership, they have also swelled their home crowds enormously.

From an average attendance of 16,000, last week Singapore pulled in a gate of 30,000.

Both Edwards and Saad have become in-



Alistair Edwards

stant national heroes throughout Singapore and Malaysia.

at least 40 years behind the times.

The present NSW figures will increase by another 25,000/27,000 to cover those playing the game in the north of the state.

The ASF is also to receive \$5 per senior player, coach and referee.

NSW Amateur Federation president John Hedison said that his organisation would conduct a think tank shortly, designed to seek ways of increasing player numbers.

"We are not sitting back. A White Paper which is circulating at the moment will provide some of the background for discussion," he said.

"We had a setback following the 1989 season washout, but rest assured that the Associations are learning a lot from that year."

Decentralise juniors or simply perish

BY KEITH GILMOUR

THE end of the month should see the various State Federations providing the Australian Soccer Federation with the funds generated by the \$1 per head capita-

tion fee to assist fund the five national teams.

All states finally agreed to back the ASF proposal.

In addition to aiding the national, Olympic Games, under 20 youth team and under 16s, the women's side is believed to be included as well.

The idea is for them to receive the monies

generated from women players.

From preliminary figures NSW will be far and away the biggest providers.

Sydney in fact will pay in more than the rest of Australia put together.

In order of numbers NSW is followed after a considerable gap by Queensland, South Australia, Victoria, Western Australia, ACT and Tasmania in let the juniors grow by running themselves are

First of May Stadium (40,000) and Guimaraes Municipal Stadium (28,000) will host the Third Group.

Algarve, the tourist centre in southern Portugal, will provide Fario St Luis Stadium (30,000) and completes the chosen cities.

Mexico and Trinidad-Tobago, together with hosts Portugal, are the first qualifiers.

The two Central American nations beat USA and Guatemala for the honor.

The Portuguese authorities have chosen the mascot, logo and poster already, and promotion and marketing is under way.

The logo features two sails, the globe and a football. The sails are included as a representation of Portugal's maritime history.

"O Findas" — the dribbler in the Portuguese language — is formed by stylish strips of the red and green national colours, kicking a football.

— KEITH GILMOUR

Portugal at ready for FIFA World Youth Cup



PORTUGAL 91

AUSTRALIA should have its eyes on arrangements for the 1991 World Youth Cup, to be conducted by Portugal from June 14/30 1991.

The 1993 championship will be hosted by Australia, and Portugal's promotion efforts should be closely watched — indeed copied where relevant.

Five stadiums in as many cities have been selected, and improvements commenced to media facilities and flood lighting.

Lisbon, the capital, will host Group One and the final, in the huge Benfica ground Estadio de Luz, with a capacity of 120,000 spectators.

Oporto receives another Group and it will be played at the FC Porto home, Estadio das Antas, with a capacity of 90,000.

Northern twin industrial cities, with their stadiums, Braga

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Applications close August 10, 1990.

Ron Lord

Soccer great did it tough

BY SYD FAIRS

ONE of Australia's greatest soccer goalkeepers, Ron Lord, is most unhappy that current custodians are treated like koalas — a protected species.

Lord played for Australia 11 times and 35 for NSW in the immediate post-war years between 1947 and 1964, including our first Olympic soccer team at Melbourne in 1956.

"Most of the non-soccer people I have spoken to since the World Cup can't understand why goalkeepers have so much latitude," Lord said.

"I don't like the cur-

rent rules at all. They were introduced to speed up the game, but they have slowed it down.

"Under the old rule a keeper could initiate an attack quickly, but now they waste too much time in the penalty area.

"A fair charge on a goalkeeper was part of the excitement of the game — but those days are gone.

"I don't believe a keeper should have the advantage of taking the ball to the edge of the penalty area without opposition."

But Lord claims that one of the vital aspects of the game — the crowds — have not im-

proved over the years.

"Crowds of 45,000 and 56,000 watched Everton's two matches in Sydney, while the 1951 English team drew crowds in excess of 50,000," he said.

Lord, brother of swimming coach Mick, and uncle of Commonwealth and Olympic Games stars Karen and Gary, is now senior pool attendant at Oak Flats and Warilla in the Wollongong, NSW, area.

Ron won a State swimming championship at 15 and had to make the difficult decision whether to stay in the water, or play soccer and cricket.

He said goalkeepers

these days rely on acrobatics rather than getting their feet in position.

"Diving was always an important phase of the game, but it's overdone these days," he said.

"But individual skills, tactics and speed have certainly improved, players have greater opportunities of going overseas to improve their skills and the rewards are great — much greater than in my day."

Lord started as a full-back with Drummoyne as a 17-year-old in 1947 and his debut was in reserve grade at Balls Paddock, Woonona.

It was a miserable start because he received a nasty kick on the ankle and was on crutches for a couple of weeks.

But it turned out to be a blessing in disguise.

Another player had clinched the fullback spot while he was off, but the goalkeeper failed to arrive one day and Lord was the only reserve available.

Lord didn't play for South Coast United, but he played against them many times, as well as against Woonona, Corrimall and Balgownie, and was among the first 20 to purchase tickets for the South Coast United reunion at Illawarra Master Builders Club on Saturday, September 15.

Tickets for the reunion are selling fast can be obtained for \$25 each (which includes dinner and table wines) from: Peter Glass' Crusty



Are today's goalkeepers too much of a pampered species? All-time Aussie great Ron Lord thinks so. In his heyday 'keepers had it tough.

Bread Shop, Corrimall Court; Radio 2WL Edward St, Wollongong; Illawarra Master Builders Club, Church St; Terry Wright's Mobile service station, Unanderra; Illawarra Mercury, 282 Keira St (Syd Fairs); Illawarra Basketball Stadium (Peter Hilton) and all committee members Trevis Birch, Jim Harris, Barry Salisbury, Adrian Alston, Robert Birch, Paul Posetti, Adrian Ringland, Wilf Billington and Norm Flanagan.

★ courtesy ILLAWARRA MERCURY

NSW sets to right the 1990 wrongs

BY KEITH GILMOUR

THE re-emergence of the Strategic Development Plan and education of the leading clubs is right on the agenda of the NSW Soccer Federation for 1991 and further years down the track.

The recent meeting of the NSW board of directors and clubs from the three top divisions set out an agenda for the improvement of the game.

NSW president Peter Thorne said: "It was a highly beneficial meeting."

"There are certain skills within the Federation that can be unlocked to help the development of the clubs."

"We think these can be dealt with by concentrating on four or five of them per year."

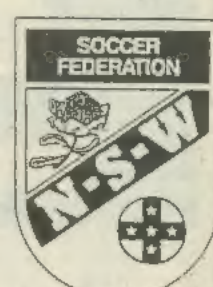
"The situation will become clearer with the adoption of the Bradley Report."

NSW is most concerned that, upon acceptance of the report, no clubs are lost to the game.

It is vital for progress that, with the dropping of NSW clubs from the National Soccer League, a place is found for them within NSW in order to ensure the strength of the competitions.

Mr Thorne added: "NSW clubs must know where they stand for the 1991 season. We have promised them they will be advised of their position prior to Christmas, assuming that the Bradley report receives approval."

There is a distinct feeling amongst NSW State League clubs that they have sorely missed revenue producing home games



this season, to the extent that they cannot justify the large sums of money being expended on their operations.

Obviously thought will have to be given to the basis on which NSW NSL clubs could be invited into the competition in future.

Many have fielded sub standard teams, with St George the shining light when it comes to standard of football turned out.

Before the season began there were hopes that well organised NSW NSL clubs would swell the available crowds.

It hasn't happened, and in fact the standard of the competition has been down graded, leaving a situation that cries out for the improvements that the NSW Federation is now planning.

Johnston in Melbourne

Former Liverpool star Craig Johnston, in conjunction with AMP Australia, is to conduct a coaching clinic for the Victorian state under 14 squad at the Richmond Soccer Club ground, Kevin Bartlett Reserve, next Sunday August 5.

Johnston, assisted by Victorian director of coaching Tim White, will put the youngsters through their paces as part of the leadup to the AMP-sponsored under 14 championships in Launceston in September.

The clinic will run from 10am to 3pm.

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Kuc gamble fails and Avala crashes

range and the home side looked well set up for victory.

They reckoned without an Avala side fighting back, with a 15-minute period at the end of each half which gave the home side a bit of concern.

In the 35th minute Paul Benitez, Avala's most dangerous player, had a 25-metre shot cannon off a defender's legs and away to safety.

Later Benitez received the ball wide on the left after a cross from the right wing and slipped the ball to David Fitzharris.

The 26-year-old former Chorley midfielder found Filip Vasic close to goal and a first-time header resulted.

Saved initially, Vasic blasted the ball in again and despite a vain attempt by Frank Gigliotti, stationed on the line, the goal, moments before the break, arrived for Avala.

Avala keeper Angelo Rodic was busy early in the second half, saving well from Grant Lee after good work by Versi and pushing a low Versi shot round the post in the first 10 minutes.

An apparently unnecessary penalty was given away by Avala when Dom Giannone, carrying the ball wide, was nudged off the ball in the box by David Scott in the 70th minute.

Regular under 19 penalty taker Frank Gigliotti stepped up, but tried too hard to outfox Rodic and had his Latin-style spot-kick saved, also being unable to bury the rebound.

This signalled Avala's second late rally of the



An incident from the Blacktown v Canterbury-Marrickville match at the Gabbie last weekend — STEPHEN GOSCH/AVENEWS photo.

game and one which almost earned a point.

In the 79th minute Steve Meades almost caught Mikuletic off guard with a lob which skimmed off the bar and could easily have crept under it.

Five minutes later Mikuletic had to be at his best to deny Boban Ivastanin, whose strong shot he held onto brilliantly.

Warringah deserved their win and should have sewn it up with the penalty opportunity.

Without four regulars and a new backline they controlled play well, but like Avala did not produce their best for the full 90 minutes.

They certainly played good football when so inspired and should continue to do well in the weeks to come.

Avala must be worried about their showings without Kuc and his prolonged absence as a fit member of the side. They were also without John McKie, so the odds were stacked against them up front where they did little to cause concern on a regular basis, thus taking the pressure off the home defence.

WARRINGAH-FRESH-

WATER: Mikuletic, Etherington, Oscillowski, Pasalic, Dean, Lee, Masl, de Ceglie, Giannone (Battaglia 80), Versi, Gigliotti (Iriarte 80).
AVALA: Rodic, Meades, Scott (Vukmirovic 73), Barrios, Gonzales, Fitzharris, Berry, Benitez, Vasic, Kuc (Ivastianin 8), Welch.
REFEREE: Alex Spirovski.

SUTHERLAND SHIRE 1 POLONIA 0

A tightly contested game went the way of Sutherland 1-0 over a shot-shy Polonia at Seymour Shaw Park on Sunday.

Leading scorer Grant Bard managed a rare header to give his side the points a minute before half-time and put the Sharks back on the rails after their first loss the previous weekend.

Bard got the gentlest of touches to a cross from the right by Alex Hutcheon, following a quick throw-in, and did just enough to deceive Bruce Thurlow in the Polonia goal who could only watch the ball roll inside the left hand post.

Paul Dart had a strong game in the Sutherland goal, pushing a Darren Pratt shot over the crossbar in the 23rd minute and sending a Jarek Nowicki drive in the 70th round the right hand upright.

Dart also collected the ball off the head of Marshall Soper in the 20th minute when the Melita guest player was poised to strike.

Finally Soper in the 90th came close earning a point, but again it was man-of-the-match Dart who intervened and saved the shot.

Polonia had David Kealy back on deck after his visit to Poland and the youngster played well until fatigue intervened.

SUTHERLAND: Dart, Webster, Sailer, Terry, Blacaya, O'Shea, Sharp (Tasker), Hutcheon (Christadoulou), Kosmina, Bard, Leney.

POLONIA: Thurlow, Kealy (Mojas), M. Pratt, Robertson, Kulwicki, C. Thompson, Drys (Camburn), G. Thompson, Soper, Nowicki, D. Pratt.
REFEREE: Roger Doeneau.

WOLLONGONG CITY 2 ROCKDALE-ILINDEN 1

It was not a happy homecoming for former Wolves coach John Fleming who would not have been impressed with his side's handling of the two freekicks which helped yield Wollongong City a 2-1 win at the expense of his Rockdale side.

There was no score at half-time and Rockdale had enjoyed the better of the exchanges to that point, with Bruno Beddoni prominent.

Greg Lerond showed some pace to trouble the Wolves defence, running them ragged in the 33rd minute before sending over a square ball, with both Beddoni and Stuart Porter lurking, but Jeff Allport rescued the home side with a timely clearance.

Beddoni headed another Lerond cross low and just wide in the 34th but David Ratcliffe also got in a header which cleared the bar as the first 45 minutes drew to a close.

A minute after the restart Jason Higgs put over a freekick from the edge of the box and Pat Brodnik met the ball with a perfect header after finding himself unmarked.

Rockdale drew level under unusual circumstances in the 74th minute.

As Jock Morlando made a move forward and with the Wolves committed to attack, Declan McEvoy attempted to take over control and succeeded only in losing the ball to Zlatko Markovski just inside the Wollongong half.

Markovski advanced to within 30 metres of goal and sent in a dipping shot which caught George Bouhoutsos four steps off his line and unable to prevent the ball landing in the net.

The home side regained the lead in clear-cut fashion when player-coach Ratcliffe was given enough room to head home a second free-kick from Higgs, this time 35 metres out, by arriving at the far post at the right time in the 84th minute.

Brodnik had been de-

nied by Warren three minutes earlier and there was also another miss by Krishna that could have sewn it up just before that as the Wollongong side showed its recent form was no fluke.

WOLLONGONG CITY: Bouhoutsos, Allport, Morlando, Ratcliffe, Krishna, Higgs, McEvoy, Baggott (Placentini 71), Brodnik, Danzo, Odrige.

ROCKDALE-ILINDEN: Warren, Wilson, Segreto, Naumovski, Buchanan, Willis, Markovski (Campbell 75), Deveridge (Stojcevski 65), Lerond, Beddoni, Porter.
REFEREE: David Naylor.

Results

CONFERENCE A:
Wollongong City 2 (Brodnik, Ratcliffe) Rockdale Ilinden 1 (Markovski), Sydney Olympic 0 Canberra Croatia 1 (Serena), Marconi 4 (Surjan 2, D'Allest 2) Sydney Macedonia 1 (Gilbert), Warringah-Freshwater 2 (Lee, Versi) Avala 1 (Vasic), BHP Austral — bye.

CONFERENCE B:
Blacktown City 1 (Maloney) Canterbury-Marrickville 0, St George 1 (Haragi) Sydney Croatia 1 (Allovic), Inter-Monaro 1 (Giampaolo) Wollongong Macedonia 2 (G. Brown, Fletcher), Sutherland Shire 1 (Bard) Polonia 0, North Shore United — bye.

Top Scorers

10 Grant Bard (Sutherland), 9 Tony Lemeza (Canberra), 8 Alan Reis (Canberra), Scott Gilbert (Sydney Mac), 7 Miladin Kuc (Avala), 6 Oswaldo El Ali (St George), Greg Brown, Graeme Fletcher (both Wollongong Mac), 5 Stuart Porter (Rockdale), Jason Oldridge (Wollongong City), Bruno Beddoni (Rockdale), Paul Welch (Avala), 4 Lawrie McKinna (Blacktown), David Suman (Blacktown), Shawn Freestone (St George), Jerzy Drys (Polonia).

BERRIES BEATEN

BY
DAVID COOPER

BLACKTOWN City moved further away from the relegation zone when they defeated Canterbury Marrickville 1-0 at the Gabbie Stadium.



Berries goalkeeper Dragan Pupovac.

In a game which was mostly dominated by Blacktown City, both sides put on an entertaining game for the spectators but neither could finish off any of their chances.

The forwards, however, cannot be blamed totally as both goalkeepers had superb games.

Blacktown's winning goal was left right till the end of the game when John Gibson on the right wing put the ball behind the defence for Brad Maloney who beat one defender, drew the goalkeeper and his shot from just inside the box gave Pupovac no chance.

BLACKTOWN: Mautone, Longo, Maloney, Lees, Gunning (Suman), Comerford, Connolly, Mason, Gibson, Rogers, McKinna (Langan).
CANTERBURY MARRICKVILLE: Pupovac, Adamou (Hill), Slavski (Manouras), Cantea, Spyridakos, Hantzis, Godzik, Ollivjak, Lardis, Mellissourgos, Oustambadis.

NSW Composite Tables

1ST GRADE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Wollongong Mac	10	7	3	0	24	12	17
Canberra	9	7	2	0	28	8	16
Sutherland Shire	10	6	3	1	20	8	15
Sydney Macedonia	10	6	2	2	15	11	14
St George	9	5	3	1	22	11	13
Rockdale Ilinden	10	5	2	3	14	9	12
Warringah	10	5	1	4	12	12	11
Sydney Croatia	8	4	2	2	16	10	10
BHP Austral	9	4	2	3	10	7	10
Avala	10	4	2	4	21	21	10
Polonia	10	2	4	4	7	9	8
Wollongong City	10	4	0	6	17	21	8
Canterbury	10	3	2	5	12	19	8
Blacktown City	10	3	1	6	13	17	7
North Shore Utd	9	2	1	6	7	21	5
Inter Monaro	10	1	1	8	8	22	3
Marconi	9	1	1	7	7	23	3
Sydney Olympic	9	1	0	8	9	21	2

UNDER 19

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Blacktown City	10	7	1	2	19	7	15
Avala	10	6	2	2	20	12	14
Warringah	10	6	2	2	20	16	14
Wollongong City	10	7	0	3	12	9	14
Canberra	9	5	2	2	20	9	12
Inter Monaro	10	4	4	2	15	11	12
Wollongong Mac	10	5	2	3	14	14	12
Sydney Macedonia	9	4	3	2	15	10	11
Polonia	10	4	3	3	14	10	11
Sutherland	10	3	3	4	15	12	9
BHP Austral	8	2	4	2	15	12	8
North Shore Utd	8	3	2	3	10	10	8
Sydney Croatia	7	3	1	3	12	9	7
Sydney Olympic	10	3	0	7	16	23	6
Canterbury	10	2	1	7	9	22	5
St George	9	0	5	4	6	19	5
Rockdale Ilinden	8	2	0	6	10	15	4
Marconi	10	0	1	9	12	34	1

Marconi wins at last

BY DAVID COOPER

MARCONI recorded their first win for the season when they upset second placed Sydney Macedonia 4-1 at Marconi Stadium.

In easily their best performance so far this year, Marconi left it to the last 15 minutes to seal Sydney Macedonia's fate in a frenzy of scoring.

Marconi took the lead in the 16th minute when Anthony Surjan scored from a free kick on the edge of the penalty area.

The turning point in the game, however, came in the 75th minute, when Marconi were awarded a controversial penalty which was duly converted by Surjan for his second goal.

Sydney Macedonia, pushing people up in search of goals, paid the

ultimate price by being caught short at the back when Jeff Suzor received a good ball on the right and his cross found Mark Dalleste who put away a good header.

With only a couple of minutes to go Sydney Macedonia finally got on the scoreboard when Gilbert was put through and he beat Marconi goalkeeper Schwarzer.

However, the goal-scoring did not stop there when straight from the kick-off Dalleste was put through and he latched onto his shot from the edge of the penalty area to give the advancing goalkeeper no chance.

MARCONI: Schwarzer, Suzor, Charlwood, Katie, Mammone, Van Egmond, Surjan, Cam, Lopez, Dalleste, Mendez (Budini).

SYDNEY MACEDONIA: Golovodovski, Souris, Cakovski (Sterrey), Pilovski, Reverley, Arcosa, Carr (Spirovski), Fernandez, Gilbert, Ballie, Radic.
REFEREE: Neil Murray.



WOLLONGONG Macedonia ended three years of fruitless tripping to Queanbeyan by beating Inter Monaro 2-1 in the NSW League match at the Marco Polo Ground last weekend.



All in a day's action — scenes from last weekend's bottom-of-the-ladder clash between Blacktown City and Canterbury-Marrickville. The Demons won 1-0 at home to ease their relegation worries — Pic by STEPHEN GOSCH/AVENEWS.

Fletcher seals Wollongong victory

BY GRAHAM COOKE

The result keeps Macedonia at the head of the competition, although coach Casey de Bruin will not be entirely happy at the scrambling way his side achieved the points.

It was done with some assistance by Monaro which twice missed a penalty, then gave away the winner with a dreadful error in defence.

Any doubts that

Wollongong had come with less than a win in mind evaporated in a torrid opening spell for the home team.

John Bradley blazed over the bar from close in, Paul Kay put a free kick on to Adam Sandy's head, only for goalkeeper Steve Hoszowski to save, then Bradley again got into a scoring position, and once again was way too high with his shot.

With virtually its first effective attack of the game Monaro was awarded a penalty.

Martin Bourke could not contain Baz Giampaolo's run, allowed him into the box and brought him down.

Tilly Carbone took the spot kick and goalkeeper Peter Wilson, diving to his left, made the save.

Wollongong's celebrations were cut short by referee Eric Cohen who ruled Wilson had moved early and ordered the kick to be retaken.

Carbone, this time trying to place his shot on the other side of the goal, hit the post.

With half-time approaching, a cross from the left found the entire Wollongong front line unmarked.

Two thrashed at the ball and missed but Greg Brown had a cooler head and steered his shot past Hoszowski.

The visitors began the second half with the clear intention of adding to the score, and the emphasis on attack allowed Monaro back into the game.

A long ball forward gave Giampaolo space to work in and he took his chance well, striking the ball firmly into the roof of the net.

Later Frank Danielle allowed himself to be caught in possession in front of goal by Graeme Fletcher, who pinched the ball and put away Wollongong's winner.



Lawrie McKinna, of Blacktown (left), is challenged by Canterbury-Marrickville's Spiro Hantzis at the Gabbie Stadium — STEPHEN GOSCH/AVENEWS Photo.

gong's winner.

Macedonia's newly signed English winger, Tony Morley, came on in the 67th minute and proved his class in one move — a curling cross which deceived two Monaro defenders before landing at the feet of Brown.

The striker was as surprised as anyone on

the field and could make nothing of the opportunity.

INTER MONARO: Hoszowski, Grassick, B. Montaroso, Bryant, Arthur, Daniele (Janke 79), Carbone, Djordjevic, A. Popovich, A. Montaroso, Giampaolo.

WOLLONGONG MACE- DONIA: Wilson, Cavanagh, Dimov (Mathew Bourke 84), Martin Bourke, Cabassi, Kay, Sandy, Bradley (Morley 67), Brown, Fletcher, Thornthwaite.

REFEREE: Eric Cohen.

NSW Futsal stages new junior major competition

The NSW Futsal Federation has announced details of an indoor soccer competition which will be conducted throughout the state for elite players to be known as "The Major League".

Already clubs are being formed in a number of areas in under 13, 14, 15, and 16 age groups to compete in this prestigious tournament during the summer months.

The Major League competition has been designed to create an environment in which young players of exceptional football skills can strive to reach a level of excellence.

It is expected that the improvement of individual skills of the players involved will give Australia a future basis for a world championship team.

Players interested in being involved in the inaugural year of Major League indoor football should contact the NSW Futsal Federation offices on 771 1677 for

NSW Amateur Cup finals

THE 1991 finals of the Amateur and Robertson Cups have been set down for Sunday, 12 August at the new Christie Park, North Ryde (near Macquarie University).

Saints, Croatia are still in contention

BY DAVID COOPER

ST GEORGE and Sydney Croatia both kept themselves in the race for the semi-finals when they drew 1-1 at St George Stadium.

In what was a very lacklustre game which saw only half a dozen shots at goal, the turning point came midway through the second half when both sides scored within minutes of each other.

The first half could be only described as dull, with both teams unable to control the ball in the slippery conditions.

Neither side managed one shot at goal as the defences proved too good for both sets of attackers.

With the second half looking exactly like the first, the game came to life when Sydney Croatia received an indirect free kick inside the penalty area.

Zizic's cross found Babic in the middle; his header caused a scramble near the goal and Eddie Alilovic pounced on the loose ball to give Croatia the lead.

From the kick-off, St George mounted pressure on the Croatia de-



Mark Babic

fence and this paid off when a cross from the right caused a scramble for the ball which Eddie Haragli got to first to equalise for St George.

ST GEORGE: Prentice, Cianter, Haragli, Folladisa, Milicevic, McGregor (Watson), Morakess, Freestone, Petridis (Poric), Adloaki, El-All.

SYDNEY CROATIA: Kalac, Jones, Popovic, Babic, Stanton, Devecchia, Pillemar, George, Alilovic (Bojkovski), Gomez (Gonzalez), Zizic.

REFEREE: Peter Spiers.

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SATURDAY AUGUST 4

STATE LEAGUE CONFERENCE A

BHP Austral v Sydney Olympic Austral Park

STATE LEAGUE CONFERENCE B

North Shore United v St George Cromer Park

STATE LEAGUE DIVISION 2

Central Coast v Fairfield City Plum Park
Waverley v Granville Chile Waverley Oval

FEDERATION LEAGUE 3

Concordia v North Ryde RSL Arlington Oval
Bankstown v Bathurst '75 Jensen Park

SUNDAY AUGUST 5

STATE LEAGUE CONFERENCE A

Canberra Croatia v Rockdale Ilinden Deakin Oval
Avala v Marconi Melita Stadium
Warringah v Wollongong City Cromer Park
Sydney Macedonia — bye

STATE LEAGUE CONFERENCE B

Sydney Croatia v Canterbury Marconi Sports Centre
Polonia v Inter Monaro Chopin Park
Sutherland Shire v Blacktown City Seymour Shaw
Wollongong Mac — bye

DIVISION 2

Campbelltown Vik. v Rosebery Bensley Road
Central Coast v Petersham Plum Park
Dulwich Hill v Orange Waratah Arlington Oval
Fairfield City v Mt Druitt Town Knight Park
Gladesville H'by v Manly Warringah Christie Park
Auburn Yugal v Southern Dist Mona Park

FEDERATION LEAGUE 3

Mt Pritchard v Uni of NSW Mt Pritchard
Canterbury & Dist v Lemnos Allstars Mackey Park
Cyprus United v Port Hacking Fraser Park
Bankstown v Hills United Jensen Park
Bathurst '75 v West Wanderers TBA

All games kick-off 3pm with U19 at 1pm, with BHP Austral 2.30pm and 12.30pm, unless otherwise stated.

See State League action this week!

Canberra still unbeaten

BY DAVID COOPER

CANBERRA Croatia maintained their undefeated record this year when they defeated Sydney Olympic 1-0 at St George Stadium.

Played in slippery conditions which made entertaining football an almost impossibility, Canberra had to use all their experience to hold off an Olympic outfit determined to move away from their lowly place near the bottom of the table.

With Canberra looking to go forward right from the start, it soon paid dividends when in the 10th minute the ball was played out to Alan Reis on the right, he brought the ball into the penalty area and his shot raced across the face of goal to beat everyone except Danny

Serena who came racing in at the far post to tap in, for the only goal of the game.

The rest of the first half saw very little goal-mouth action as players were having trouble with their footing when going for the ball.

Sydney Olympic stepped up a gear in the second half, putting early pressure on Canberra which nearly paid off but Nick Platiniotis slipped when in a good position to score.

Gary Meier in the Olympic goal then showed all his experience when he pulled off a succession of great

saves to keep his side in the game.

With 10 minutes to go, Canberra should have sealed the game when Serena beat the offside trap and his shot was only partially stopped by Meier, which was enough for John Koch to clear off the line with the ball hitting the post and bouncing away for the defenders to clear.

CANBERRA CROATIA: Gunning, Junna, Galletti, Dunn Young, Kulscar, Pratezina (Marcina), Zelic, Reis, Serena, Dulic (Mazis).

SYDNEY OLYMPIC: Meier, Jerkovic (A. Triantafyllou), Bernal, Platiniotis, Georgopoulos, Sharpley, Lardis, Koch, Araujo, Hristodoulou, Cardozo.

REFEREE: Gary Power.

Rain-affected weekend

BY PAUL GOODWIN

IT was unfortunate that the two most crucial games affecting the Second Division title were set down for last Saturday as there was insufficient time for pitches to dry out from steady rain received late in the week.



Dulwich Hill's game at Mount Druitt and Southern Districts' match at Waverley Oval were both called off and only Manly's fixture with Fairfield City went ahead on the first day of the weekend.

Manly played all over the visitors who relied on their successful breakaway tactics and got the reward of an 60th minute penalty and a 1-0 win for their efforts on a saturated, but playable, pitch.

Alberto Arbelo converted the spot kick to maintain Fairfield's incredible run of success which sees them creeping closer and closer to the leaders.

Plucky Orange Waratah, now down to a selection of only 16 players among their two sides, found the pace hot against Central Coast on Sunday.

A sparkling winter's day and a perfect playing surface allowed for an excellent game which Coast won 4-2.

Nigel Drysdale and Darren Northam scored first for the visitors, before Paul Waine pulled one back from the spot.

Two more from Ian Vaughan and Andrew Ollier put Jim Foley's boys well beyond reach, although a 25-metre drive by Ron Davison pleased home supporters late in the game for a second consolation.

Auburn Yugal were disappointed to find their game with Rosebery called off on such a perfect day, but the Athletic Field was ruled out on Saturday and no play was possible.

Yugal are super keen to get back in action and are determined to give leaders Southern Districts a good tussle at Mona Park on Sunday now that they are back in form.

Petersham had the Portuguese support all to themselves on Sunday at Erskineville Oval, which dried out well after a soaking on Thursday. The decision by council to wait until the day to check on the state of the pitch meant that a vital fixture went ahead.

Three first half goals settled the issue against Campbelltown who fought hard in the second half before winding up 3-0 down on the day to the home side.

Darren Stephenson got on the end of a Craig Poole cross in the sixth and David Batten

did likewise to a Stephenson cross in the 16th.

Frank Speranza controlled a Cecil Chatfield corner nicely before slamming home the third after 25 minutes, as Lusitanos celebrated.

Paul Van der Leeden had a busy time in the Petersham goal after the break, but as against Yugal the previous week, did everything right to deny a spirited Campbelltown outfit.

Gladesville-Hornsby appear to be running into top form now and have grown in confidence recently.

They survived a tough first half at Garside Park against Granville Chile, where they won 1-0, despite Andy Ferris hitting the bar in the fifth minute in attempting to chip the 'keeper.

In the 79th minute Graeme Williamson put the finish to a move begun by Rolf Ramisch in his own half, tucking the ball inside the near post from his position on the left.

There will be a lot of interest in Sunday's derby with Manly at Christie Park and with two

consecutive wins under their belt the 'Mitre 10 Bears' must be strongly fancied to bring home the bacon.

Results

Waverley v Southern Districts postponed, Mount Druitt v Dulwich Hill postponed, Rosebery Portugal v Auburn Yugal postponed, Manly-Warringah 0 Fairfield City 1 (Arbelo pen.), Granville Chile 0 Gladesville-Hornsby 1 (G. Williamson), Petersham Lusitanos 3 (D. Stephenson, Batten, Speranza) Campbelltown Vikings 0, Orange-Waratah 2 (Waine pen, Davison) Central Coast 4 (Drysdale, Northam, Vaughan, Ollier).

Top Scorers

12 Barry Walker, Sep Disch, 11 Dennis Duarte, Paul Harriott, 10 Andy Ferris, Graeme Williamson, 8 Leo Ulloa, Ozcan Celik, Paul Pettenon, Remyle Galloway, 7 Gurkan Tasdemir, Steve Karavatakis, Ray Carney, Darren Stephenson 6 Mark Butler, Birol Sertbas, Paul Corbett, 5 Gary Hastie, Jason Ribble, Jimmy Berry, Nelio Borges.

INDEPENDENT CUP

WAVERLEY College went through to the second round of the Independent Cup after a 2-0 win over Cranbrook School at Queen's Park last Tuesday week.

Waverley, keeping the ball on the ground with short passes and seep, outclassed their opponents in all aspects of the game.

The skills of V. Scandurra proved a nightmare for the Cranbrook defenders, while the Waverley defenders played the offside trap to perfection.

Scandurra and Correia scored the winning goals for Waverley, in the 38th and 47th minutes respectively.

The game was a replay of the 2-1 win by Waverley two weeks earlier, but because of a controversial refereeing decision the match had to be played again and justice was done.



The Waverley College team.



Blacktown City v Canterbury-Marrickville State League action from last weekend — STEPHEN GOSCH/AVENEWS Photo.

FROM MANLY TO EUROPE

Super skills coach Dusan 'Darcy' Purac is receiving offers from European clubs following the World Cup in Italy.

Darcy's 'Super Skills' video was shown at coaches' meetings during the World Cup and his skills have impressed some of the world's largest clubs.

Recommended by FIFA, Dusan continues to receive more offers from overseas than from his adopted Australia.

The Fijian Football Association want Darcy to coach their national youth squad in 1991 and European clubs are currently competing to obtain his signature.

The amazing ball skills of Dusan are only matched by his ability to impart his skills to the youngsters he coaches.

Three players who have passed through Darcy's 'Brazilian Soccer School' at Manly Vale have won places at European clubs.

The Brazilian Soccer Camp is held every Friday at 6.30pm at Miller's Reserve, Manly Vale.

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As a special promotion for Australian Soccer Weekly readers, Darcy is offering three lucky readers a month's free coaching (4 sessions).

All you have to do is send the name of the country which won this year's World Cup in an envelope, with your name, address and phone number, to Sportsforce, PO Box 5065, West Chatswood, NSW 2057.

Entries close in 10 days to be quick to win some great soccer coaching.

Draw winners will be notified by post.

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WED AUG 1
State League Conference B: North Shore Utd v Blacktown City, Gabbie Stadium 6.30pm, 8.15pm.
Division 2: Manly v Dulwich Hill, Cromer Park, 6.30pm, 8.15pm.

Federation League 3: Lemnos Allstars v Pt Hacking, Seymour Shaw 6.30pm, 8.15pm.
WED AUG 8
State League Conference B: Blacktown City v Sydney Croatia, Gabbie Stadium, 6pm, 7.45pm.

Federation League 3: Port Hacking v Uni of NSW, Seymour Shaw, 6.30pm, 8.15pm.
Mt Pritchard v Cyprus United, Mt Pritchard, 6.30pm, 8.15pm.

NEW SOUTH WALES

STATE LEAGUE 2 GR 1

Southern Dist.	20	14	3	3	47	16	31
Dulwich Hill	20	12	6	2	36	12	30
Fairfield City	21	8	11	2	29	20	27
Petersham	22	8	9	5	23	19	25
Central Coast	21	10	3	8	28	25	23
Camp'town V	22	8	6	8	33	37	22
Mt Druitt Town	21	7	7	7	22	21	21
Gl'ville Chile	21	5	10	6	29	30	20
Gl'ville H'by	22	7	6	9	24	29	20
Auburn Yugal	21	6	7	8	20	23	19
Waverley	20	6	6	6	26	30	17
Manly W'gah	21	5	5	10	25	27	18
Rosebery	19	6	4	8	29	37	18
Orange War	21	0	3	18	16	58	3

Rooty Hill	15	8	1	5	29	23	17
Hajduk	13	7	1	5	26	29	15
Arncliffe	16	4	4	8	15	25	12
Croatia Syd	16	2	1	13	12	53	5
Belmore Her	16	1	1	14	18	54	3

FEDERATION LEAGUE 5 GRADE 1

West Dist.	18	15	2	1	58	21	32
Macquarie Uni	17	11	2	4	40	25	24
Ashour Star	18	9	5	4	36	31	23
Prospect Utd	16	10	1	5	31	16	21
Sporting Peru	15	10	0	5	33	26	20
Alexander	17	8	4	7	35	37	16
Lithgow	18	8	2	10	26	30	14
Sydney Uni	17	5	3	9	26	32	13
CSI Schofields	16	8	0	9	29	34	12
Chile Sports	17	5	2	10	20	39	12
GNS United	16	5	1	12	19	52	11
Maccabi	16	2	0	14	14	44	4

STATE LEAGUE 2 GR 2

Southern Dist.	20	19	1	0	53	13	39
Camp'town Vik	22	14	3	5	39	19	31
Granville Chile	22	13	3	6	43	29	29
Rosebery	19	13	2	4	54	24	28
Dulwich Hill	20	12	3	5	44	24	27
Manly W'gah	21	9	5	7	59	40	23
Gl'ville H'by	21	10	3	8	54	38	23
Central Coast	21	10	2	9	48	46	22
Waverley	20	6	3	11	28	43	15
Fairfield City	21	5	13	23	52	14	
Mt Druitt Town	21	5	3	13	32	44	13
Petersham	22	3	5	14	18	46	11
Auburn Yugal	21	3	5	13	26	50	11
Orange W'gah	21	1	4	16	13	56	6

STATE LEAGUE 3 GR 1

Mt Pritchard	16	11	3	2	34	10	25
Cyprus United	15	10	2	3	32	15	22
Lemnos	17	9	3	5	27	22	21
Port Hacking	13	10	3	2	28	14	20
Hills United	16	7	4	5	26	16	18
Bankstown	16	5	7	4	26	17	17
North Ryde	17	8	5	6	28	27	17
West Wanda	17	6	4	7	24	25	16
Bathurst 75	15	7	0	8	19	18	14
Uni of NSW	17	3	11	16	37	9	
Concordia	16	2	3	11	6	30	7
C'bury & Dist	17	3	0	14	9	43	6

STATE LEAGUE 3 GR 2

Mt Pritchard	16	12	3	1	43	14	27
Hills United	16	9	7	2	25	15	25
Bankstown	15	10	3	2	28	12	23
Uni of NSW	17	4	4	3	24	25	23
C'bury & Dist	16	8	5	3	35	16	21
Lemnos	17	9	3	5	29	15	21
Cyprus United	15	7	4	3	39	15	18
Port Hacking	13	4	6	13	23	11	
North Ryde	17	1	8	6	13	25	10
West Wanda	16	2	4	12	22	40	8
Bathurst 75	15	2	2	11	10	38	8
Concordia	17	0	2	15	4	58	2

FEDERATION LEAGUE 4 GRADE 1

Arncliffe	17	9	5	3	33	17	23
Colo Colo	17	10	3	4	26	15	23
Trasandinos	17	9	3	5	37	23	21
Concord Jun	17	9	3	5	30	17	21
Belmore Her	16	10	0	6	38	19	20
SSC Zagreb	16	8	3	7	33	27	19
Spanish Club	16	8	2	8	35	30	18
Nineveh Eagles	17	7	3	7	20	23	17
Hawkesbury	17	5	5	7	18	23	15
Hajduk	15	5	4	6	25	22	14
Rooty Hill	16	2	2	12	17	37	6
Croatia Jnrs	17	1	3	13	11	70	5

FEDERATION LEAGUE 4 GRADE 2

Trasandinos	18	12	3	3	34	14	27
Concord	17	10	2	5	30	13	22
SSC Zagreb	18	9	2	7	32	19	20
Nineveh Eagles	16	9	2	5	26	19	20
Spanish Club	18	8	3	7	34	23	19
Hawkesbury	17	6	7	4	31	20	19
Colo Colo	16	8	1	7	30	24	17

STATE LEAGUE ONE
Sydney Olympic v Canberra Croatia 0-1 1-0
Wollongong City v Rockdale Ilinden 2-1 2-1
Marconi v Sydney Macedonia 4-1 3-6
Warringah v Avala 2-1 2-1

STATE LEAGUE: ONE CONFERENCE B
St George v Sydney Croatia 1-1
Inter Monaro v Wollongong Mac 1-2 1-0
Sutherland v Polonia 1-0 1-3
Blacktown City v Canterbury 1-0 5-0

STATE LEAGUE TWO
Manly Warringah v Fairfield City 0-1 10-0
Petersham v Campbelltown 3-0 0-1
Orange Waratahs v Central Coast 2-4 0-2
Granville Chile v Gladesville 0-1 2-3

FEDERATION LEAGUE THREE
Bankstown v Lemnos Allstars 2-3 2-0
Port Hacking v Canterbury Dist 4-1 1-5
Bathurst v Mt Pritchard 2-0 0-2
North Ryde v Mt Pritchard 2-2 1-1
Lemnos v Concordia 3-0 3-0
Uni of NSW v Bathurst 0-1 6-0
West Wanderers v Bankstown 1-1 2-2

FEDERATION LEAGUE FOUR
Nineveh Eagles v Colo Colo 0-4 1-3
Croatia Syd Jnrs v Concord Juniors 1-5 0-2
SSC Zagreb v Hawkesbury Dist 1-3 1-0
Nineveh Eagles v Spanish Club 2-1 1-0
Belmore Hercules v Trasandinos 2-1 0-3
SSC Zagreb v Concord Juniors 0-2 0-2

FEDERATION LEAGUE FIVE
Alexander v Prospect United 0-5 7-3
CSI Schofields v W.D. Hellas 0-1 1-4
Chile Sports v Sydney Uni 1-1 0-0
Lithgow v Macquarie Uni 0-2 0-3
Ashour Star v Maccabi Hakoah 3-0 2-0
Sporting Peru v GNS United 1-0 3-1

FEDERATION LEAGUE SIX
Liverpool City v St Josephs 1-1 1-5
Fogolar Furlan v Abruzzi 1-1 1-1
Penrith v Cobreloa 2-0 9-4
New Welcome v Pagewood 0-0 2-6
Balmain v Liverpool City 4-0 2-2
Pontian Eagles v Assyrian 2-4 5-0

STATE WOMENS LEAGUE: ONE
Melita Eagles v Mt Druitt 2-0
Epping Eastwood v Liverpool City 0-3
STATE WOMENS LEAGUE: TWO
North Ryde v Gladesville 0-1
Epping Eastwood v Liverpool City 1-4

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VICTORIAN LEAGUE	MORWELL	ALBION	1	2-1
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	ALTONA GATE	MELB. CITY	2	2-0
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	MOOROOLBARK	RINGWOOD CITY	3	1-0
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	NORTHCOLE C.	THOMASTOWN	4	4-1
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	WESTGATE	DOVETON	5	1-1*
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	ESSENDON	KNOX CITY	6	1-0
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	BRIGHTON	SUNBURY UTD.	7	0-0
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	DONCASTER	CLIFTON HILL	8	0-0
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	DANDENONG	COBURG	9	1-0
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	KEILOR	BELL PARK	10	1-0
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	CHELSEA	WIMBORLEY	11	1-1*
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	RICHMOND	NUNAWADING	12	0-2
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	BASSEDEAN	BALGA	13	1-0
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	INGLEWOOD	MELVILLE	14	3-3*
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	FREMANTLE B.	COCKBURN	15	7-0
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	MORLEY	OSBORNE PK.	16	1-0
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	FERNDALDE UTD.	FORRESTFIELD	17	4-1
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	ROCKINGHAM	SWAN CRAC.	18	4-0
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	STIRLING T.P.	GOSNELLS	19	0-2
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	EAST PERTH	WANNEROO	20	0-4
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	ADELAIDE C.	AZZURI	21	0-0
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	WOODVILLE	POLINA	22	1-3
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	CUMBERLAND	CROATIA	23	1-2
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	SALISBURY	MOOBURY	24	1-3
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	LION GRANGE	PT. ADELAIDE	25	0-2
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	W.T. BIRKALLA	NELLAS	26	1-2
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	LATROBE V.	KINGSBRIDGE	27	0-0
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	UNIVERSITY	DARRA UTD.	28	0-0*
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	ANERLEY	LUTWYCHE UTD.	29	2-2*
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	SOUTHS UTD.	SEENLEIGH	30	1-1*
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	JUVENTUS	OLYMPIC	31	0-12
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	ST. LEONARDS	GEORGE TOWN	32	0-10
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	WEST. SUBURBS	BURNIE	33	3-2
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	SOMERSET	CROATIA	34	2-2*
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	ULVERSTONE	LAUNCESTON	35	void
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	PHOENIX C.	HOWRAH	36	0-3
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	METRO	KINGBOROUGH	37	2-1
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	RAPID	CALIES	38	1-0

THE POOLS RESULTS HISTORY AT 30/7/90 — WEEK 261

NO. OF TIMES EACH NUMBER OCCURRED	NO. OF WEEKS SINCE EACH NUMBER OCCURRED
27 33 40 17 32 47 36 47	5 5 3 4 0 9 19 8
46 58 54 53 47 51 51 47	11 6 0 1 1 0 12 2
52 47 37 53 48 53 54 48	2 9 4 8 10 8 5 16
50 55 54 63 61 76 57 53	1 18 2 0 0 0 1 3
53 68 58 68 55 55	2 0 1 2 4 1

Results History is from Week 38, the start of Six from 38 Pools

RESULTS OF
WEEK 261 SAT 28 JULY, 1990

Total Prize Pool is \$199,614.72
Winning Match Numbers (in numerical order): 5, 11, 14, 29, 30, 34.
Supplementary Number: 28

Division 1
The Prize Pool is \$129,643.37
No winner. Jackpot Week 262
(est. \$250,000 next week)

Division 2
The Prize Pool is \$3,992.30
2 Provisional winners of \$1,996.15ea.

Division 3
The Prize Pool is \$11,977.65
43 winners of \$278.55ea.

Division 4
The Prize Pool is \$29,983.80
1,947 winners of \$15.40ea.

Division 5
The Prize Pool is \$24,017.60
3,532 winners of \$6.80ea.

VICTORIA

VIC DIV ONE FIRSTS							
Doveton	18	12	3	3	25	12	27
Springvale City	18	11	4	3	31	18	26
Westgate	18	10	5	3	37	17	25
Oakleigh	18	11	3	4	33	21	25
Essen City	18	9	5	4	26	22	23
Port Melb	18	7	9	2	20	18	23
Essendon City	18	6	5	7	22	17	27
Wth. Geelong	18	6	4	8	26	27	16
Western Suburbs	18	5	6	7	20	24	16
Mordialloc	18	5	4	9	10	17	14
Wentworth	18	5	3	10	18	23	13
Marib. Polonia	18	5	2	8	23	33	13
Broadmeadows	18	4	11	11	24	16	24
Sandringham	18	1	3	14	10	34	9
VIC DIV TWO FIRSTS							
Brighton	18	11	3	4	31	24	21
Keller	17	11	1	5	36	17	23
Bel Park	17	7	8	2	20	11	23
Clifton Hill	16	8	6	4	23	17	23
Cheltenham	18	8	4	6	31	26	26
Mewnaad City	18	6	7	5	28	26	19
Donscaster	18	6	7	5	25	23	19
Waverley City	18	6	6	5	24	19	23
Geelong	16	6	5	7	21	21	17
Dandenong	18	7	3	8	29	32	13
Sunbury United	18	6	4	8	27	27	17
Richmond	18	3	5	10	8	20	11
Coburg	16	4	2	10	14	36	16
Milwaudd Utd.	16	2	5	11	18	38	10

VIC DIV TWO FIRSTS

Brighton	18 11 3 4 31 21 25
Kellier	17 11 1 5 36 17 23
Bell Park	17 7 8 2 20 11 22
Clifton Hill	18 6 6 4 23 17 22
Chelsea	18 6 4 6 31 20 20
Munawad. City	18 6 7 5 28 26 19
Doncaster	18 6 5 3 27 17 21
Waverley City	18 6 6 6 24 19 18
Geelong	18 6 5 7 21 21 17
Dandenong	18 7 3 8 29 32 17
Sunbury United	18 6 4 8 27 27 16
Richmond	18 3 5 10 8 20 11
Coburg	16 4 2 10 14 36 10
Ringwood Utd.	18 2 6 11 18 38 9

VIC DIV THREE FIRSTS

Bentleigh Green	18 12 5 1 37 16 28
Altona City	18 12 3 3 43 24 27
Holland Park	18 10 4 4 32 16 24
Seaford United	18 10 5 5 39 24 23
Clarendon	18 6 5 5 19 12 21
Lafar United	18 7 5 6 29 23 18
Heidelberg City	18 6 6 6 31 27 18
Carlo-Geelong	18 6 5 7 18 24 17
Moorabbin City	18 5 5 8 21 24 15
Ell. Diam. Valley	18 5 5 8 22 30 13
Clayton	18 4 1 13 25 44 9
Mornington	18 1 7 10 10 32 9
Springvale Utd.	18 3 3 12 15 45 9

SOUTH AUST.

as at 30.7.90

DIVISION 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Hellas	22	16	3	3	46	17	35
Croatia	22	14	6	2	40	22	34
Polonia	22	9	10	3	39	21	28
E.D. Azzuri	22	10	7	5	29	19	27
Mudbury	22	8	7	6	35	38	23
Salisbury	22	8	6	8	28	29	22
Beograd	22	7	8	7	27	29	22
Adelaide City	22	5	11	6	20	19	21
W.T. Birkalla	22	7	6	9	35	32	20
U.S.C. Lion	22	5	8	9	21	29	18
Clarendon	22	4	2	16	16	38	10
Port Adelaide	22	2	0	20	12	57	4

DIVISION 2

	P	W	L	F	A	P
Para Hills	17	10	4	3	27	10
Camp In	17	10	3	4	23	15
Blk wd	16	9	3	4	23	8
Enfield	16	8	5	3	27	17
Omonia	17	8	5	6	11	12
C.D. Apac	16	4	6	5	16	14
Olympians	16	5	4	5	19	18
Elizabeth	17	3	5	9	11	27
Noarlunga	15	3	2	10	7	25
Seaford	16	1	5	10	7	25

TASMANIA

as at 23.7.90

CADURY

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Hobart Juv	15	11	3	1	42	16	38
White Eagles	15	11	2	2	48	15	35
Launceston Juv	16	8	4	4	31	16	28
Ulverstone	16	9	1	6	28	23	28
Devonport City	16	7	6	3	30	23	27
Olympia-SBT	16	7	2	7	31	24	23
Caledonian	16	3	1	12	16	34	10
Croatia Glen	16	1	4	11	13	48	7
Burnie Utd	18	2	1	13	15	55	7

NORTHERN

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Olympic	17	14	2	1	103	18	44
Launceston	16	12	2	2	83	25	38
Western Sub	17	10	6	1	55	19	36

White Eagles	17 11 2 4 42 17 35
Georgetown	17 8 3 5 31 28 30
Devonport	17 6 4 7 42 33 22
Burnie	16 6 2 8 31 41 20
Croatica	17 5 5 9 35 52 18
Juventus	17 5 1 11 25 81 16
Ulverstone	16 4 2 10 24 49 14
St Leonards	16 3 1 12 22 82 10
Somers	17 0 2 15 15 77 2

DIVISION ONE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
University	14	10	1	3	35	19	31
Taroona	13	9	2	2	37	16	29
Metro	14	9	2	3	30	22	29
Howrah Utd	14	9	0	5	34	25	27
Hobart Juv	14	8	2	4	38	20	26
Hobart City	14	7	2	5	26	22	23
Kingborough S.C.	14	5	2	7	25	23	17
Rapid S.C.	14	5	2	7	26	37	17
White Eagles	13	3	5	5	22	30	14
South Hobart	14	4	1	9	25	20	13
Caledonian	14	3	3	8	16	33	12
Olympia-SBT	14	2	4	8	24	33	10
Sydney	14	1	4	9	19	46	7

QUEENSLAND

as at July 22

DIVISION 3

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Annerley	16	9	5	2	33	14	32
L/Valley	16	8	3	5	28	23	27
Darra Utd	16	7	5	4	33	26	26
Stacks Ck	15	7	4	4	27	13	25
Souths Utd	16	7	4	5	25	20	25
Lutwyche	16	7	4	5	25	25	25
Redcliffe	16	6	5	5	16	19	23
Kingridge	15	6	4	5	31	24	22
Beenleigh	15	5	4	6	19	25	19
Brothers	14	4	1	9	11	32	13
Orley	15	3	2	10	18	26	11
Uni of Qld	16	1	5	10	15	32	6

DIVISION 4

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Albany Ck	16	10	5	1	34	12	35
Griffith Uni	16	9	2	5	28	19	29
Capalaba	15	7	4	4	37	21	25
Southside Eag	15	7	4	4	23	16	25
Pine Hills	16	5	9	2	24	15	24
Deception Bay	16	7	2	7	30	32	23
Sanford Range	16	5	5	6	23	23	20
Kennmore Rm	16	4	8	4	24	25	20
South Star	16	4	5	7	17	27	17
Toowoomba	16	3	6	7	23	36	15
Leichhardt	16	3	4	9	14	28	13
Western Subs	16	2	4	10	27	48	10

THIS WEEK'S MATCH LIST
WEEK 262
SAT. 4th AUGUST, 1990

VICTORIAN LEAGUE	ALTONA GATE	MORWELL	1
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	MOOROOLBARK	NORTHCOLE C.	2
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	ALBION	BRUNSWICK U.	3
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	BOX HILL	MELB. CITY	4
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	BULLEEN	GREEN GULLY	5
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	CAULFIELD CITY	FRANKSTON P.	6
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	ST. ALBANS	RINGWOOD C.	7
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	THOMASTOWN	CROYDON CITY	8
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	HEIDELBERG U.	FAWKNER	9
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	DOVETON	WERRIBEE	10
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	WESTERN SUBS.	ESSENDON C.	11
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	SANDRINGHAM	MORDIALLOC	12
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	PT. MELBOURNE	WESTGATE	13
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	KNOX CITY	B'MEADOWS	14
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	NTH. GEELONG	MARIBYRNONG	15
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	OAKLEIGH	SPRINGVALE C.	16
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	ATHENA	KWINANA	17
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	KINGSWAY	KELMSCOTT	18
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	SWAN CRAC.	BALGA	19
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	ROCKINGHAM	BASSEDEAN	20
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	OSBORNE PK.	COCKBURN	21
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	MORLEY	FREMANTLE B.	22
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	MELVILLE	FORRESTFIELD	23
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	INGLEWOOD	FERNDALDE UTD.	24
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	GOSNELLS	EAST PERTH	25
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	WANNEROO	STIRLING T.P.	26
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	CENTRAL DIST.	ENFIELD C.	27
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	ELIZABETH	PARA HILLS	28
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	NOARLUNGA	CAMPBELLTOWN	29
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	OLYMPIANS	SEAFORD	30
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	OMONIA	BLACKWOOD	31
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	LUTWYCHE UTD.	UNIVERSITY	32
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	OXLEY UTD.	SOUTHS UTD.	33
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	OLYMPIC	EAGLES	34
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	BURNIE	JUVENTUS	35
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	CROATIA	WEST. SUBURBS	36
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	LAUNCESTON	SOMERSET	37
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	GEORGE TOWN	ULVERSTONE	38

RESERVE MATCHES

VICTORIAN LEAGUE	RINGWOOD U.	RICHMOND	39
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	NUNAWADING	CHELSEA	40
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	WAVERTLEY	KEILOR	41
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	BELL PK.	DANDENONG	42
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	COBURG	DONCASTER	43
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	CLIFTON HILL	BRIGHTON	44
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	SUNBURY UTD.	GEELONG	45
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	SPRINGVALE U.	SEAFORD UTD.	46
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	YARRAVILLE	CLARINDA	47
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	MOORABBIN	MORNINGTON	48
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	HOLLAND PK.	CORIO UTD.	49
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	ALTONA CITY	ELTHAM UTD.	50
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	LALOR UTD.	HEIDELBERG C.	51
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	CLAYTON	BENTLEIGH	52
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	SUBIACO	ASHFIELD	53
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	SWAN I.C.	ARMADALE PK.	54
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	VASTO UTD.	WEST YUGAL	55
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	BOORAGOON	DIANELLA	56
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	WHITFORD C.	CANNING	57
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	QUEENS PK.	NORTH LAKE	58
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	UNIVERSITY	PERTH CITY	59
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	JUVENTUS	PHOENIX C.	60
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	HOBART CITY	OLYMPIA	61
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	KINGBOROUGH	RAPID	62
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	TAROONA	CALIES	63
VICTORIAN LEAGUE	UNIVERSITY	WHITE EAGLE	64

* WESTERN AUSTRALIA SUPER LEAGUE
QUEENSLAND DIVISION 3

* Winning match numbers and supplementary number.

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AUSTRALIAN SOCCER WEEKLY — AUGUST 1, 1990



SUPPORTS
VIC. SOCCER
FEDERATION



Victorian Soccer Federation



VIC SENIORS

VIC STATE RESERVES		
Albion	28	20 5 3 68 19 45
B. Juventus	28	26 4 9 21 24 44
Box Hill	28	18 6 4 52 18 42
Frankston	27	15 4 8 73 37 34
St Albans	27	15 2 10 30 28 32
Thamesdown	27	12 7 8 48 34 31
Clifton Hill	27	14 3 10 54 45 31
Bentleigh	26	10 10 8 46 48 38
Croydon City	26	13 1 14 46 45 27
R. Wood City	26	11 3 14 41 50 25
Green Gully	26	8 6 14 38 54 22
Box Hill	26	7 5 19 29 52 19
F. St. Pauls	26	7 3 18 28 52 18
M. B. City	26	4 18 28 91 12
Moorebank	26	2 5 19 11 45 9
Albion	26	2 5 21 23 80 9

VIC DIV ONE RESERVES		
Dandenong	10	12 3 2 28 12 27
Springside City	10	11 4 3 31 16 26
Westgate	10	10 5 3 37 17 25
Oakleigh	10	11 3 4 33 21 25
Knox City	10	9 5 4 26 22 23
Port Melbourne	10	7 9 2 20 16 23
Essendon City	10	6 5 7 22 27 17
Nth. Geelong	10	6 4 3 26 27 16
Western Suburbs	10	5 6 7 20 24 16
Mordialloc	10	5 4 9 10 17 14
Werrisbee	10	5 3 10 18 23 13
Marib. Polonia	10	2 8 8 23 32 12
Broadmeadows	10	3 4 11 11 24 10
Sunderingham	10	1 3 14 10 34 5

VIC DIV ONE RESERVES		
Dandenong	10	14 4 0 52 11 32
Nth. Geelong	10	12 2 4 50 23 26
Port Melbourne	10	11 4 3 39 18 26
Oakleigh	10	11 3 4 36 18 24
Knox City	10	8 4 6 39 36 20
Springside City	10	8 3 7 27 19 18
Essendon City	10	6 6 7 24 22 17
Broadmeadows	10	7 3 8 35 41 17
Marib. Polonia	10	6 4 3 26 27 16
Western Suburbs	10	5 3 10 35 35 13
Werrisbee	10	4 5 8 31 37 13
Sunderingham	10	4 2 11 16 30 10
Westgate	10	2 4 11 10 30 8
Mordialloc	10	1 4 13 19 65 6

VIC DIV TWO FIRSTS		
Brighton	18	11 3 4 31 21 25
Kellie	17	11 1 5 36 17 23
Bell Park	17	7 8 2 20 11 22
Clifton Hill	18	8 4 2 23 17 22
Chelsea	18	8 4 6 31 26 20
Nunawading City	18	8 7 5 28 26 19
Doncaster	18	6 7 5 25 23 19
Waverley City	18	6 6 6 24 19 18
Geelong	18	6 5 7 21 21 17
Dandenong	18	7 3 8 29 32 17
Sunderingham	18	6 4 8 27 32 17
Richmond	18	3 5 10 8 20 11
Colong	18	4 2 10 14 36 10
Ringwood Utd	18	2 5 11 10 39 9

VIC DIV TWO RESERVES		
Doncaster	18	12 4 2 40 12 28
Clifton Hill	17	12 2 3 43 17 26
Waverley City	18	11 3 4 39 20 25
Brighton	18	11 3 4 32 18 23
Kellie	17	10 4 3 39 14 24
Sunderingham	18	9 4 5 27 19 22
Bell Park	18	8 4 6 32 20 25
Richmond	18	7 3 8 47 36 17
Dandenong	18	6 4 8 23 26 18
Nunawading City	18	6 3 9 38 27 15
Geelong	17	5 3 9 28 33 15
Colong	17	4 0 13 19 54 8
Chelsea	18	2 15 12 66 5
Ringwood Utd	18	2 0 16 7 61 4

VIC DIV THREE FIRSTS		
Bentleigh Green	18	12 5 1 37 16 26
Albion City	18	12 3 3 43 24 27
Holland Park	18	10 4 4 32 16 24
Seaford United	18	10 3 5 39 24 23
Clarinia	18	8 5 5 19 12 21
Lalor United	18	7 5 6 29 23 21
Heidelberg City	18	6 7 5 16 17 18
Carlo-Geelong	18	6 6 6 31 27 18
Moorebank City	18	6 5 7 19 24 17
ET. Dian. Valley	18	5 5 8 21 24 15
Clayton	18	3 7 8 22 30 13
Mornington	18	4 1 13 25 44 9
Yarraville	18	1 7 10 10 32 9
Springside Utd	18	3 3 12 15 46 9

VIC DIV THREE RESERVES		
Moorebank City	18	12 3 3 50 18 27
Lalor United	18	11 5 2 27 18 27
Albion City	18	10 3 0 51 24 26
Clarinia	18	11 2 5 41 14 24
Seaford United	18	10 4 4 38 19 24
ET. Dian. Valley	18	9 3 6 38 30 21
Clarinia	18	8 1 9 27 34 15
Heidelberg City	18	6 3 9 34 35 15
Bentleigh Green	18	5 5 8 35 44 15
Mornington	18	5 1 11 26 42 13
Carlo-Geelong	18	5 3 10 31 52 13

VIC DIV FOUR FIRSTS		
Holland Park	18	5 1 12 38 60 11
Yarraville	18	4 2 12 18 45 10
Springside Utd	18	3 3 12 35 50 9
Oakleigh Sub	18	12 4 2 38 18 28
Pascoe Vale	18	10 12 4 2 39 23 25
Regent	18	11 3 4 41 19 25
East Brunswick	18	10 10 5 3 33 16 25
Spring. Condors	18	10 3 5 31 13 23
More. Park Rang	18	7 7 4 24 24 21
Hawthorn	18	8 2 8 31 21 19
Karingal Utd	18	6 4 8 29 33 16
Langwarrin	18	5 5 8 15 22 15
Hamlyn Rangers	18	4 7 7 28 30 16
Boronla	18	4 4 10 22 42 12
Fernie Gully	18	2 7 9 17 33 11
Rosanna	18	3 4 11 17 36 10
Yallourn	18	1 3 14 15 42 5

VIC DIV FOUR RESERVES		
East Brunswick	18	16 1 1 48 34 33
Spring. Condors	18	12 3 3 50 17 27
More. Park Rang	18	9 7 2 37 21 25
Langwarrin	18	10 10 2 44 25 22
Hamlyn Rangers	18	8 5 5 38 19 21
Boronla	18	9 3 6 33 24 21
Rosanna	18	7 4 7 23 28 18
Hawthorn	18	5 6 7 23 25 16
Oakleigh Sub	17	5 2 10 32 33 13
Fernie Gully	18	4 4 10 21 40 12
Regent	17	5 1 11 13 28 11
Yallourn	17	1 2 14 5 58 4

VIC DIV ONE FIRSTS		
St. Dandenong	18	10 5 3 44 23 25
St. Werribee	18	10 10 5 4 46 27 25
Cranbourne	18	11 2 5 24 10 24
Nth. Sunshine	18	9 5 5 32 21 21
Melburn City	18	8 5 5 28 21 21
Albion East	18	8 5 5 28 21 21
Williamstown	18	9 9 4 24 24 21
Forest Hill	18	8 6 2 34 27 18
Melton	18	6 6 7 35 29 18
Westvale	18	5 7 8 20 33 17
Serwick City	18	4 8 7 27 26 16
Brunswick City	18	4 7 9 21 27 15
East Geelong	18	3 8 7 17 27 14
Mossfield Ranger	18	4 5 10 19 38 13
Keysborough	18	2 6 12 15 48 9

VIC DIV ONE RESERVES		
Melburn City	17	13 3 1 58 29 29
Westvale	18	9 7 3 25 22 22
St. Dandenong	17	11 1 5 37 20 23
Melton	18	6 7 4 32 23 23
Williamstown	18	9 5 5 37 33 23
Mossfield Ranger	18	9 4 6 29 26 22
Albion East	18	9 3 6 42 33 21
Nth. Sunshine	18	7 5 6 38 30 19
Cranbourne	18	6 6 6 28 27 18
Serwick City	18	6 3 9 38 38 18
Brunswick City	18	6 3 10 29 42 15
East Geelong	18	4 5 9 25 38 11
Forest Hill	18	3 5 10 26 37 11
Keysborough	18	3 3 13 25 46 9
Brunswick City	18	2 4 13 22 58 6

VIC DIV TWO FIRSTS		
Frankston Utd	20	16 2 2 52 19 34
Sth. Springside	20	14 4 2 44 17 32
Lalor	20	12 5 4 40 19 29
Ascot St. Marks	20	12 4 4 40 20 28
Lyndale Utd	20	12 3 5 42 28 23
Ballarat	20	11 4 5 35 20 28
Heasdon Park	20	11 3 5 39 37 25
Waverley Utd	20	7 4 9 26 25 18
Branden Park	20	6 6 8 24 26 18
Brinsford	20	7 4 9 24 32 18
Fitzroy City	20	5 4 11 21 30 14
Port United	20	3 7 10 22 38 13
R. Wood Rovers	20	3 5 12 18 41 11
South Yarra	20	2 5 13 16 40 9
Utd. of Mels.	19	2 4 13 23 38 8
Key Eagles	19	2 4 13 20 53 6

VIC DIV TWO RESERVES		
Ballarat	20	13 4 3 58 22 30
Sth. Springside	20	11 5 4 45 21 27
Heasdon Park	20	11 4 5 40 30 27
Lyndale Utd	20	11 3 5 42 28 23
Ascot St. Marks	20	12 1 7 44 28 25
Frankston Utd	20	10 5 5 22 13 25
Waverley Utd	20	19 1 9 42 46 21
Branden Park	20	7 4 9 24 32 18
Brinsford	20	6 5 9 22 32 18
Port United	20	7 6 10 23 43 18
R. Wood Rovers	20	4 6 10 27 37 14
R. Wood Rovers	20	4 6 10 25 43 14
Key Eagles	19	1 3 15 16 58 5

VIC DIV THREE FIRSTS		
Wentworth	20	14 2 4 48 17 38
SL. Kilda	20	12 5 3 33 18 29
Wentworth Utd	20	13 2 5 46 22 28
Carroll Utd	20	12 4 4 39 25 28
Hampton Park	19	12 2 5 40 20 26
East Richmond	20	9 5 6 44 29 23
Batman Utd	20	8 5 7 37 35 21
Glennary	20	16 1 9 31 36 21

VIC DIV FOUR FIRSTS		
34th Clayton	20	8 2 9 28 23 29
34th Clayton Utd	20	5 7 8 34 32 17
34th Clayton	20	8 4 10 31 42 16
Riverdale	20	5 5 10 24 34 15
34th Clayton	20	6 3 11 28 41 15
Monash Utd	19	3 5 11 25 41 11
Sunshine Park	20	4 3 13 21 44 11
Bunamara	20	3 1 16 20 68 7

VIC DIV FOUR RESERVES		
Monash Utd	20	11 7 2 40 15 29
Glennary	20	12 5 5 53 30 27
Batman Utd	20	11 5 4 51 32 27
Riverdale	20	10 7 3 41 22 27
34th Clayton	20	11 4 5 40 19 26
East Richmond	20	10 5 5 52 40 25
Wentworth	20	9 5 6 38 25 23
Wentworth Utd	20	7 8 5 36 25 22
Sunshine Park	20	9 3 8 33 30 21
Hampton Park	20	8 4 8 32 26 20
Monash Utd	19	7 7 3 38 15 19
SL. Kilda	19	6 5 8 31 34 17
Carroll Utd	20	5 14 29 63 11
Nth. Clayton	20	3 4 13 25 59 10
34th Clayton	20	3 14 28 62 9
Bunamara	20	3 1 16 23 68 7

VIC DIV ONE FIRSTS		
Old Scotch	17	11 3 3 58 25 25
Waver. Wand.	16	11 2 3 58 30 24
Diggers Rest	17	8 6 3 37 21 22
Hawthorn Utd	17	7 4 6 39 33 18
Collingwood	17	7 4 6 34 32 18
Oakleigh Utd	17	6 2 7 37 38 16
Kellie Utd	17	5 4 8 35 39 14
Lalor Utd	16	6 2 7 38 15 14
Northern Utd	17	3 8 6 25 43 14
S. Meadows Utd	17	4 6 7 31 49 14
Balwyn	17	5 3 9 36 38 13
Philp Inst.	17	2 4 11 33 58 9

VIC DIV ONE RESERVES		
Old Scotch	17	14 1 2 59 21 29
Balwyn	17	13 2 2 60 21 29
Waver. Wand.	17	8 4 5 39 21 29
Oakleigh Utd	17	7 4 6 41 39 18
S. Meadows Utd	17	6 6 5 33 37 17
Collingwood	17	6 0 7 43 38 16
Hawthorn Utd	17	5 5 7 31 37 15
Kellie Utd	17	5 6 5 24 33 15
Philp Inst.	17	5 4 8 28 41 14
Diggers Rest	17	5 3 9 37 52 13
Lalor Utd	16	3 4 9 26 48 10
Northern Utd	17	1 2 14 18 57 4

VIC DIV TWO FIRSTS		
Melburn Leagues	17	13 1 3 44 18 27
Inter City	17	12 3 2 41 18 27
Oran	17	8 0 0 40 15 24
Mosambi	17	9 3 5 38 28 21
Melb. Utd	17	8 4 5 37 30 20
Utd. of Mels.	16	7 4 5 45 38 19
Endeavour Hills	17	6 5 6 40 27 17
Camb. Grammar	17	5 5 7 26 33 15
Diamond Valley	17	6 2 8 26 35 14
R.M.L.Y.	17	4 1 12 22 45 9
Furber	17	2 2 13 20 55 6
Concorde	17	1 2 14 19 65 4

VIC DIV TWO RESERVES		
Melb. Utd	17	12 4 1 52 15 28
Utd. of Mels.	17	9 6 2 50 33 24
Oran	17	8 7 2 39 25 23
Inter City	17	8 6 3 40 28 22
Mosambi	17	8 6 3 44 22 22
Melb. Leagues	17	7 4 6 35 35 18
Camb. Grammar	17	6 5 6 25 37 16
Diamond Valley	17	5 6 6 25 38 15
Furber	17	5 2 10 32 41 12
R.M.L.Y.	17	3 5 9 34 44 11
Endeavour Hills	17	2 5 10 28 43 9
Concorde	17	0 2 15 12 91 2

VIC DIV THREE FIRSTS		
Brighton	12	11 1 8 69 18 23
Castell City	11	9 1 1 32 12 19
Sunderingham	12	6 3 1 38 11 19
Doncaster	12	7 2 4 40 22 17
Marshall A	11	8 8 5 31 13 12
East Richmond	11	4 3 2 35 11 11
East Richmond	10	4 1 5 22 23 9
Melbourne City	11	4 1 6 19 24 9
Oakleigh Sub	11	3 1 7 22 35 7
Bentleigh Green	13	1 1 11 1



Champagne football as Heidelberg wins the big one

BY GREG BLAKE AND DAVID BULLOCK

HEIDELBERG United produced champagne soccer as they came from behind to defeat league leaders Croydon City 3-1 in an enthralling encounter in front of a large crowd at the Olympic Village.

The all-important victory enabled the Bergers to take over top spot on their greater goal-difference as the chase for NSL promotion heats up.

The clash was billed as the "match of the

season" and both sides opened up the first half full of fire, with plenty of feeling being shown by the players in an electric atmosphere.

Both sides had several half-chances in the opening 45 minutes, with the best coming from Angie Goutzoulis in the 31st minute.

His shot at goal from six metres went just wide after Phil Stubbins had set up the play with a superb run down the left.

Croydon set the game alight 15 minutes into the second half when against the run of play, Andy Humble headed the ball past Heidelberg keeper Jeff Oliver into the back of the net from 10 metres to register his 17th goal of the season.

Seven minutes later George Sifkas' entry onto the field in place of Stuart Cannell proved decisive, his presence on the park suddenly seing Heidelberg looking more dangerous as the minutes ticked by.

In the 77th minute Heidelberg finally equalised when Sifkas' corner kick from the left was met by Garry McDowall, who headed the ball home at the far post.

Four minutes later Heidelberg took the lead from a Sifkas corner kick.

As the ball came in from the left, McDowall headed it across the area to Stuart Stevenson who headed it past a despairing John McKinlay in the Croydon goal and in-to the back of the net.

As the game entered injury-time, Heidelberg made sure of the victory when Willie Herd laid a neat pass to Stevenson who fired the ball home past McKinlay.

Heidelberg coach Len McKendry was a very happy man after the game and praised his side's efforts.

"We left it a bit late with the goals, but we placed so much pressure on them during the game, I never thought it was in doubt.

"I'm very happy for the players and I thought the atmosphere was tremendous, the supporters got great value for their money."

On the other hand, Croydon coach Ian Dobson was not terribly concerned with his team's loss.

"Heidelberg were the better team, but as far as I'm concerned there are six games to go and all I'm worried about is next week's game with Thomastown."



Tony Marchett: Fawkner
Pic: JOE MONTEMURRO.

NORTHCOTE 4 THOMASTOWN 1

Northcote City defeated hapless Thomastown in an entertaining fixture at the John Cain Reserve.

Thomastown had several early chances to take the lead, but against the run of play, the home side broke the deadlock in the 24th minute.

Peter Cocker back-headed into the path of Pedro Ramos, who swooped on the ball and then slotted it into the left hand corner past Thomastown keeper Zoran Janievski.

Thirty seconds before the half-time interval, Northcote increased their lead when Jimmy Constantinou was left free to send a scorching 25-metre drive into the back of the net.

Thomastown were thrown into total disarray in the 57th minute when Fino Di Martino was sent off for a high tackle on Jimmy Constantinou.

Northcote went further ahead in the 60th minute when Jimmy Constantinou scored with ease after some good build-up work from Cocker and Ramos.

Don McLaren reduced the scoreline in the 75th minute when he headed past Mark Turidia in the Northcote goal and into the back of the net after receiving a good pass from Ken Tsangas.

Seven minutes before full time, substitute George Tsangas completed the rout when he cheekily lobbed over Thomastown keeper, Kenievski from 15 metres.

MOOROOLBARK 1 RINGWOOD 0

Mooroolbark escaped with the two points after being awarded a very doubtful penalty decision 10 minutes from full-time as they defeated Ringwood City in

a lacklustre eastern suburbs 'derby'.

Both teams struggled to produce entertaining soccer on the sandy surface, and chances at goal were rare.

The only goal of the game came in the 80th minute when David Brogan made no mistake from the penalty spot after Greg Brown had been brought down from behind.

Brown had a meal of the foul and the penalty was a more than generous decision.

FRANKSTON PINES 0 BULLEEN 3

Bulleen proved too strong for Frankston Pines in all departments.

They completely dominated the match from the opening whistle and were denied time and again from scoring by some brilliant goalkeeping from Lee Davies.

But goals from Alex Livingstone, Darren Tuck and Michael Brannov sealed the fate of Frankston Pines who of late have shown a marked improvement as they struggle to avoid relegation.

B. JUVENTUS 2 ST ALBANS 0

Brunswick Juventus coach Terry Hennessey played it cool and praised his players despite having to endure a nail-biting 80 minutes of action as Juventus battled against St Albans at Middle Park on Sunday.

Juventus, needing a win to stay hot on the heels of dual league leaders Croydon and Heidelberg, waited until the final 10 minutes to explode away from courageous St Albans and record an eventual 2-0 win.

A Frank Sabatino shot deflected home by a defender gave Juventus the vital break with eight minutes to play and in injury time Sean

Lane intercepted a back pass and knocked the ball home to give Juve some much-needed breathing space.

Juventus, which lost goal-ace Steve Smith with an ankle injury during Sunday's clash, showed its pedigree by getting over the line, according to Hennessey.

"It was a good sign that we didn't panic and that we just kept playing and creating chances," said the Juve boss.

"It was a good win and with the Heidelberg result, it means we're now in with a real chance.

"But it's up to us to just keep winning.

"We can't worry about what happens to anyone else and we've just got to keep our minds on what we have to do."

MORWELL FALCONS 2 ALBION 1

Improving Morwell, looking more and more a top four chance as the season draws to a close, pushed Albion further from finals calculations after a convincing 2-1 win in the Latrobe Valley on Saturday.

With three wins and two away draws in the past five outings, Morwell has lifted itself to within a game and a half of the leading quartet and if it isn't to repeat its 1989 title win, it still might have a bit to say in which club takes over as champion of Victoria.

In the last two rounds, Morwell must take on Heidelberg and Croydon in successive weeks and coach Bobby McLachlan believes his side can make the playoffs and give the big-guns a shake.

"I suppose we're getting back to where we belong," he said, referring to the top four challenge.

"We're just taking some time to get there."

On Saturday Morwell led after 30 minutes when an Albion defender missed a crucial interception to an Effie Cassar pass and Billy Wright was able to nip in and score.

Wright might have struck again immediately after the re-start but a bobbling ball helped him sky the shot over the bar from close range.

Albion lifted for a period after Andrew Freund's unexpected equaliser but Morwell broke its recent score draw hoodoo when ever-reliable Sean Byrne bagged an 87th minute winner.

FAWKNER 0 CAULFIELD CITY 0

Disappointing Fawkner clung to its place in the top four despite a home point in a scoreless draw with Caulfield City on Sunday.

And only an inspired performance by veteran keeper Zoran Nikitovic stood between visiting Caulfield and an upset win.

Nikitovic continually thwarted the Greek side to earn man-of-the-match plaudits in an otherwise colourless game.

In the first half, Nikitovic pulled off brave stops from Caulfield goal-ace Con Pappas and new boy Gary Brattan.

After the break he continued his impressive form to stop Tsiakos and Donnelly (twice) as Caulfield dictated the pace of the game.

Fawkner's best chance to score came in the 37th minute when Sammy Emmanuelle's shot was turned away by Anastasiadis and Tony Cricenti, making his full debut for Fawkner, had his shot from the rebound cleared off the line.

GREEN GULLY 4 BOX HILL 1

Green Gully came from a goal behind to totally overwhelm bottom of the table Box Hill.

Box Hill, still to register a win this season, surprised their more fancied opponents in the 27th minute when Nick Dimitrakis drove his shot past Gully goalie Charlie Sant.

Green Gully levelled the score one minute later when Kevin Harrison passed nicely to Mark Wilson who slotted his shot past Box Hill keeper Tony Lyras.

Gully then went 2-1 up when Harrison again was the supplier. His pass was met by Kenny

Smart who finished his shot off clinically.

The second half turned into a one-sided affair as Gully took full control and in the 58th minute they extended their lead through Aki Kotzimisialis who headed home a David Hogban cross.

Five minutes before full time, Harrison who had already made two goals, was rewarded for his efforts as he found the back of the net to bring up his 13th goal of the season.

ALTONA GATE 2 MELBOURNE JUST 0

Melbourne JUST have well and truly hit rock-bottom.

To make things worse, JUST had Jim Murray and goalkeeper Spiro Kardemitsis sent off.

JUST created not a single genuine scoring chance over the 90 minutes and Altona Gate cruised away with goals on either side of half time.

Simon Micevski scored Altona's first five minutes from half time when he stabbed home Georgevski's far post cross.

Vlade Torteovski made it 2-0 just 20 seconds after the interval when he volleyed home from 20 metres.

PAUL TRIMBOLI

Paul Trimboli is expected to go straight into Glasgow Rangers' first squad for matches against clubs such as Manchester United and Moscow Dinamo.

The South Melbourne star flew out to Glasgow yesterday.

AIS

Ron Smith's revealing viewpoint on the AIS operation will appear in next week's ASW.

SOCCER



VICTORIAN STATE LEAGUE

Heidelberg United	28	19	3	6	55	24	41
Croydon City	28	17	7	4	53	26	41
B'wick Juventus	28	17	5	6	45	19	39
Fawkner	28	14	6	8	43	30	34
Green Gully	28	15	3	10	49	31	33
Bulleen	28	13	7	8	41	34	33
Albion	28	12	7	9	31	26	31
Morwell	28	10	11	7	41	30	31
Thomastown	28	12	7	9	33	38	31
Altona Gate	28	9	11	8	33	30	29
N'cote City	28	11	5	12	43	47	27
Caulfield	28	10	7	11	36	39	27
St Albans	28	8	8	12	27	34	24
Melb. City JUST	27	7	9	11	26	33	23
Mooroolbark	26	6	6	14	22	39	18
R'wood City	28	6	5	17	35	57	17
F'ston Pines	27	4	6	17	18	53	14
Box Hill	28	0	7	21	15	61	7

Level head Markovac has potential

BY VLADO VLAHOVIC

TALENTED Preston midfielder-cum-forward Robert Markovac is set to make his mark during the summer of 1990/91 in the NSL after completing a promising first summer campaign.

Markovac was in the Socceroo training squad, but lost his place after an inconspicuous, year under former Preston boss Andon Donceviski where he was in the wars with his form and was frustrated by being regularly taken off the park.

However, things fell into place for Markovac in the season past under recently deposed coach Lube Jancev, where he was a regular, playing an important role mainly as a wide midfielder or as a forward.

Markovac played consistently well in a side that reeked with inconsistency due in no small part to long-term injuries to key players such as Oscar Crino and Warren Spink!

Australian Soccer Weekly scribes gave him an overall rating of 5.88 out of 10 per game in the first summer season which was a creditable score. His own club recognised his deeds by awarding him 'most improved player' at the club's recent presentation night.

Markovac also managed to find the back of the net six times and with a little more luck it could have been twice that amount.

At only 23-years of age Markovac is a veteran by NSL standards, being a regular senior player since the age of 16 when he burst onto the scene with Melbourne Croatia. All in all he's played about 120 matches for Melbourne Croatia, Sunshine George Cross and now Preston Makedonia (2 seasons).

In fact he's only missed some four games in three years from injury which has something to do with his thirst for fitness.



ROBERT MARKOVAC

Markovac is eyeing a return to the Socceroo squad, especially now that he'll be reacquainted with newly signed Preston coach John Gardiner, who he played under with success at Sunshine George Cross.

'Ginge', as his team mates know him, is a strong, speedy, workhorse, who shields the ball brilliantly and has a lethal shot with either foot which he

should dare himself to use more often and also possesses a fine cross.

Markovac is a level-headed young man fully aware his game can improve in the areas of sharpness, concentration for the full 90 minutes and also wants to work on his finishing touch.

Consistency was a major problem until it was rectified last sea-

son, Ginge desperately wants to maintain this important area of his game.

Ginge never had problems with consistency during his junior years where he represented Victoria at each age level from U/13 all the way to the Aussie Youth squad in 1985.

Markovac, like most soccer fans would dearly love to see full-time professionalism in Australia to see the game enhance, and grow. Of course, consistency would be a positive by-product from full-time soccer for the individual and the team.

Away from the grind of the National Soccer scene, Telecom employee Robert Markovac likes nothing more than a game of golf with mate Wes and team-mate George Jolevski. Ginge is also partial to a game of tennis with girl-friend Karen, which he can only lap-up for a little while longer, before the grind takes over again!

Jeff Doyle to Brunswick Juve

BY DAVID BULLOCK

BRUNSWICK Juventus made a enterprising move recently with the signing of talented Morwell Falcons defender, Jeff Doyle.

Doyle, who experienced the pleasure and pain with Morwell in 1989 as the club won all before it only to stumble in the NSL play-off stage, sees his move to the Italian-backed club as both a challenge and a good move at this stage of his career.

Doyle enjoyed his three years with the LaTrobe Valley club, but felt it was time to move on.

He said: "I'd been with the club for three years and I gave them solid service.

"Juventus expressed interest in me and I thought the time was right to move on.

"Looking back, maybe I should have left at the end of last season.

"Juventus is a big club and I'm very happy to be here.

"It has a big chance to win the State title and it could give me a chance to play in the National League.

"I'd have to prove if I'm good enough, but I would like to give it a go."

The blond defender has only kind words to say about his former team-mates and coach Bobby McLachlan.

"There's a lot of good boys down there.

"Bobby's a good lad as well.

"Look, I enjoyed Morwell, I'd never knock the club as long as I live."

And what does he think of his new found team-mates at Juventus?

"There a great



JEFF DOYLE

bunch of lads. I knew most of them before I came, and I think we'll go well together."

He aims to tuck them away!

BY VLADO VLAHOVIC

EXPERIENCED former Geelong City striker, Darren Tuck, now with ambitious State League outfit Bulleen, scoffs at suggestions he might be on his way out, as one of Geelong's best ever soccer experts battles his way out of a lean patch.

At 28 years of age, veteran former Kiwi Tuck set the world on fire when he exploded onto the State League scene with seven goals in as many games this season.

However, five months down the track, Tuck hasn't added to his tally, thus experiencing his longest ever dry spell!

The speedy forward admits he's lost some form but with true self-belief claims he'll be back doing what he does best in no time flat.

The former Geelong boy is doing his second stint at State League level after spending five years at Western Suburbs before returning to his original Aussie club, Geelong City in the Second Division last season, due to his wife bearing their second child.

Tuck's return to Geelong was grand.

He banged in some 32 league and cup goals, his largest total in a single season during his long career, hence prompting a return to State League and re-affirming the popular theory that a soccer play usually peaks around the age of 27 or 28.

The speedy Kiwi estimates his total of senior games to be close to 500 — a phenomenal figure that keeps growing — somewhat surprisingly at only five different clubs: Papakura (in a NZ League comparative to Vic State League standard), Manurewa in NZ National League, Geelong City, Western Suburbs and Bulleen.

Kiwi Tuck's early senior years at a tender 17 were very promis-



Brazilian great Socrates and Kiwi Steve Sumner at the 1982 World Cup in Spain.

ing. At the time his talent was on par with such players as Steve Sumner, Ricky Herbert and Frank Van Hattum.

All three players went on to become Kiwi legends representing New Zealand at the 1982 World Cup in Spain.

However, Tuck has no regrets over leaving New Zealand and claims, "Australia is still the lucky country, where you can get on in life much easier."

The former Kiwi couldn't be happier at his present club Bulleen, which he rates as the best club he's been associated with. The club's coaching staff, committee members and playing personnel impresses Tuck.

The Veneto club set-up itself is also most impressive with its large social club, indoor bocce lanes, tennis courts, VIP lounge and spacious area makes for one of the best run clubs in the country.

On two separate occasions Kiwi Tuck had his opportunity to play top-line soccer in Australia but rejected both offers.

Clubs Sunshine George Cross (about five years ago) and Pre-

ston (three years ago) tempted him but business factors stopped him both times.

At the time of the first offer, Tuck just entered the business world as part-owner of Cobblers' Car Yard in Geelong and when the second lure came around his business took precedence onced more — a very difficult decision for him indeed.

Even though Tuck never played NSL soccer he has no regrets, putting business ahead of soccer mainly because soccer is still only semi-professional.

Tuck believes when he first commenced playing State League soccer some seven years ago, the standard was equivalent to the NSL at the time. Only since then has a gap appeared.

Tuck insists: "The present State League is at its worst standard in years because of this 18-team competition which is ruining clubs.

"I really believe the Super League should be enforced."

FOOTNOTE: Tuck finally broke his four-month-long drought when he scored Bulleen's only goal against league leader, Croydon City last weekend.

MELBOURNE CROATIA — 1989/90 & DOWN THE YEARS

MELBOURNE CROATIA																						
HOME					AWAY			FINALS		CUP		TOTAL		RECORD WIN		RECORD DEFEAT						
OPPONENT	P	W	D	L	F	P	W	D	L	F	P	W	D	L	F	P	W	D	L	F		
ADEL CITY	7	3	3	1	12	7	7	2	1	4	5	11	-----	-----	16	5	4	7	18	21	4-1 1988 (home)	0-3 1985 (away)&87(home&away)
ADEL HELLAS	4	1	2	1	5	4	4	3	1	0	12	2	-----	-----	8	4	3	1	17	8	4-0 1984 (away)	1-2 1986 (home)
APIA	4	2	0	2	2	2	4	1	1	2	7	9	-----	-----	8	3	1	4	9	11	4-3 1989 (away)	1-3 1988 (away)
BLACKTOWN	2	2	0	0	7	0	2	2	0	0	8	2	-----	-----	4	4	0	0	15	2	6-0 1989 (home)	-----
MARCONI	4	1	0	3	1	7	4	1	2	1	4	4	1 0 0 1 0 1	-----	8	2	2	5	5	12	1-0 1987 (home&away)	0-4 1989 (home)
MELITA	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	2	1	-----	-----	2	1	0	1	2	2	2-1 1990 (away)	0-1 1990 (home)
PRESTON	8	5	2	1	11	6	7	2	1	4	10	13	2 1 0 1 3 2	2 2 0 0 3 1	19	10	3	6	27	22	4-1 1988 (away)	0-3 1989 (away)
8TH MELB	7	1	2	4	8	11	8	2	1	5	9	11	2 0 1 1 3 4	-----	17	3	4	10	15	26	4-0 1989 (away)	0-3 1984 (away)
ST GEORGE	4	3	1	0	7	4	4	2	2	0	8	4	-----	-----	8	5	3	0	18	8	3-1 1990 (away)	-----
S.GEO.CROSS	7	3	3	2	10	5	7	3	2	2	10	5	-----	1 0 0 1 0 2	15	8	5	4	19	13	5-1 1990 (away)	0-2 1985(cup)&88(away)&89(home)
SYD.CROATIA	4	1	2	1	4	5	4	0	2	2	5	12	-----	-----	8	1	4	3	9	17	3-1 1987 (home)	1-6 1987 (away)
SYD.OLYMPIC	5	4	1	0	10	5	5	1	2	2	6	9	2 0 0 2 3 5	-----	12	5	3	4	19	19	3-1 1984 (away)&88(home)	1-3 1988&89 (both away)
WOLLONGONG	3	2	0	1	5	2	3	1	0	2	5	6	-----	-----	6	3	0	3	10	8	4-0 1990 (away)	1-4 1986 (away)

Twenty things you didn't know about Italia '90

1 Roberto Baggio won a bicycle for his brilliant goal for Italy in their 2-0 win over the Czechoslovakia.

2 Compare that to Adnan Talyani who scored the United Arab Emirates' goal in their 5-1 defeat by West Germany. He was awarded a Rolls Royce by his country. But the extensive costs of running the vehicle proved too much for Talyani who had to use his bicycle to travel to work on. But fortunately for the striker, Sheik Mohamed Al Shehed heard of his plight and persuaded his oil company to cover the insurance costs and donate another \$1000 per month to cover the petrol.

3 A group of Scottish fans on the way to the finals stopped their mini-bus in a village of the foot of Mont Blanc and never went any further. They preferred to enjoy their own World Cup by taking on the locals in nightly matches.

4 The West German squad's talents lie further afield than just football. Ten players speak two or more languages, two are graduates and three turned down university for a football career.

5 In a survey before the finals, 15 per cent of Americans believed they had a good chance of winning the World Cup!

6 On average the England players lost between 2kgs and 5kgs during each game in Italy.

7 A member of Colombia's Italia '90 party was arrested during the tournament. Heroin dealer Barreto Morales was granted an official capacity with the team after drug barons threatened to murder the families of the players if their top heroin pusher was denied a place in the Colombian contingent. He used his cover to meet drug traffickers from all over Europe but was arrested after a Mafia man, recognised by the police met him in Milan.

8 The Italian government spent over \$1 billion on new telecommunications for the 200 journalists and TV technicians that covered the tournament.

9 Luigi De Agostini took more shots at goal than any Italian player — 17.

10 West Germany's skipper Lothar Matthaus was once a flower arranger.

11 Argentina used the most players at Italia '90. Carlos Bilardo fielded no less than 20.

12 For the first time in World Cup history the four semi-finalists, Argentina, England, Italy and West Germany were all previous winners.

13 The autographed football the Republic of Ireland squad presented to the Pope has pride of place in his study.

14 Fashion designer John Galiano rated Cameroon's strip the best saying: "Excellent. A real cool look." He added: "Holland had a very good use of textile design in their abstract triangle and Egypt's had good use of offbeat colour. But Italy's was boring and unimaginative."

15 World Cup defeat cost two fans their lives. An Egyptian died of a heart attack when his team lost to England and a Yugoslav shot himself after seeing his side go out of the finals.

16 If Italy had won the World Cup they would have enjoyed a date with Madonna. The pop superstar invited the squad to dinner if they were successful and wanted Roberto Baggio's shirt in return. She said "His goal against Czechoslovakia and his lovely green eyes caught my attention."

17 The Dutch produced a World Cup record to the tune of that famous Irish classic 'Danny Boy'.

18 Two players from each team were drug-tested after each game during the finals. None proved positive.

19 More Italian women than men watched their country's semi-final loss to Argentina.

20 Gary Lineker is the only player who can speak a foreign language (Spanish) in the England squad.

JOHNNY WARREN HAS HIS SAY

Brazilian innovator passes away

JOAO Saldanha, who criticized Brazil's display in the recent World Cup finals, passed away 48 hours before the final.

Saldanha had more right than any man to criticize.

For Saldanha lived his own life instinctively and built the last true Brazilian team to win the World Cup, in the process enthusing us to believe in soccer as moving art.

Saldanha was father to the 1970 Brazilians — Pelé, Tostao, Gerson, Carlos Alberto, Clodoaldo, Jairzinho and Rivelino.

They roll off the tongue, they still roam the mind, and to some of us that team is the unrivaled ideal.

Under Saldanha, it romped into the 1970 tournament, qualifying with 23 goals for and 2 against.

But Saldanha, an avowed leftist in a land ruled by the military right, was removed weeks before the final.

Highly strung, a former war correspondent who wouldn't compromise his principles, he retreated to his small apartment in Leblon, looking out to Two Brothers mountain.

Brazil has tried, and lost, many times since the day its government ordered the sports body to "dissolve" Saldanha's contract.

With typical volatility, he raged: "Cowards! They just don't have the guts to tell me I've been fired. Am I an ice cube to be dissolved?"

No. There are too



Brazilian great Tostao: he was a key player in the marvellous team moulded by the late Joao Saldanha.

many by far with ice in their veins. Saldanha stirred the blood.

He was in Rome as a writer and broadcaster when his heart gave

way before the World Cup final that negated all that in which he had believed and loved.

After eight days on a

life-support system, he died.

Italia '90 was for Saldanha the equivalent to lifeboat men who sail on the motto: "Go ye must — return ye may."



Death of Miguel Munoz



FORMER Spanish national team coach Miguel Munoz, who was a distinguished player with Real Madrid in the 1950s, has died aged 68.

Munoz, national coach from 1982 to 1988, died in a Madrid hospital from complications resulting from a haemorrhage.

Under Munoz, Spain reached the World Cup quarter-finals in Mexico in 1986 but the team then went into decline and Munoz was replaced by the present manager, Luis Suarez, in September, 1988.

Munoz was a member of the Real Madrid side which won the European Cup five times in succession in the 1950s.

He won the trophy twice more during his time as manager of the team between 1960 and 1974.

With Munoz as manager, Real Madrid won a record five consecutive league titles from 1961-65, and won the championship a further four times, in 1967, 1968, 1969 and 1972.

As a midfielder, Munoz won seven caps for Spain, making his debut in June, 1948, against Switzerland.



The late Miguel Munoz.

ASIA SEEKS THIRD SPOT

THE Asian Football Confederation says that it will insist on an extra slot for Asia in the 1994 World Cup finals to be held in the United States.

AFC secretary-general Peter Veliapan said that the confederation would try to convince FIFA, the world soccer governing body, that Asia deserved a third spot despite the poor showing by South Korea and the United Arab Emirates in the just-ended World Cup in Italy.

"Asia should be given an extra spot in the finals because it is the largest continent and notably known as a football continent, with some 15 million



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Asian Football Confederation (AFC)

players," Mr Veliapan said.

He said the AFC was disappointed with the performance of South Korea and the United Arab Emirates, which had failed to progress into the second round.

"From now onwards, efforts must be made to lift the standards of Asian teams for the 1994 finals," he said.

COACHES OUT

EMERICH Jenei has resigned as coach of the Romanian national team.

In his four years at the helm, Romania played 38 matches for 18 wins, 11 draws and nine losses.

The 50-year-old is out of football altogether, enjoying his retirement from the army and living in his native Oradea.

With the Euro-92 qualifiers less than two months away, the Romanian Federation have yet to name a successor.

The Soviet Union, too, are minus a coach following Valeri Lobanovskii's resignation.

David Kealy

Aussie shines in Poland

BY PAUL GOODWIN

THE prospect of travelling overseas to play soccer would delight most budding young Australian stars of the round-ball code, but Poland is not the usual destination for our tender-age prospects.

For David Kealy, a former top sprinter and little athlete with a passion for soccer, a dream came true when he took the Sydney Polonia club up on its offer of a trip to the land of the white eagle as his prize for winning Under 19 Player-of-the-year in 1989.

former player Kevin Mullen.

When he was free of exams, David trialled with both Apia and Polonia and eventually settled on joining the Under 19 squad at Chopin Park.

It appears that the tuition David received from Kevin during his

former player Kevin Mullen. The six days a week of training, twice daily, suited the super-keen Aussie lad who had barely been outside his Regents Park habitat before his venture overseas.

Now back in Australia, David is considering two contracts he has brought back with him offering terms to return and play with each of the clubs he trialled with, plus letters of recommendation from these clubs' officials.

A trip to Italy to see eight games in the World Cup finals series rounded off a pretty exciting six months for the lad who had originally intended flying over separately for the tournament instead of making his way there direct from Poland.

Now that he has returned, his immediate aim is to cement a place in Polonia's State League team and then stake a claim for a spot in the Australian under 23 Olympic side.

Fluent in Polish after only six months away and still a tireless trainer, especially with the Polish players at Chopin Park, David could well be the next big name on the international scene.

Three months with this club was followed by a move to the Polish capital to play with Legia Warsaw, where a place in the reserve side was waiting and with a chance to train with the first team.

A similar period there including the prospect of a place in the first grade side was more than he could have dared to hope for when he left his native Australia for a few weeks of training.

The Legia club later undertook a tour of Austria and David was a member of the party

days at Greenacre and his other early experience has paid off.

With more time to devote to soccer, it soon became apparent that this budding young full back and talent and many hours were spent with Polonia's Polish imports honing the skills in extra sessions willingly given by the senior members, who recognised the talent of this 179cms blond youngster.

The offer to play in Poland was seized with enthusiasm and with eight first team games for Polonia already under his belt, David was confident of doing well in the distant Eastern European country.

Jerzy Drys, although now a permanent Australian resident, had at that time flown back to Poland to rejoin his family and made all the necessary accommodation arrangements for David who was initially expected to be away only a matter of weeks.

He arrived in January snow and trained with the Zagłębie Wałbrzych club in the south of the country, knowing not a word of the language, but being well looked after and appreciated for his obvious dedica-



which played several games there.

In December, when the Polish League takes a two-month winter break, Legia are due to tour Spain and David hopes to be a part of that action also.

In addition, the club has qualified for the European Cup Winners' Cup and will meet the Luxembourg Cup winners Swift Hesperange in September.

He would love to be involved in that competition and would like to think that he could make a name for himself like other former Legia stars Roman Kosecki, now with Barcelona, and Zbigniew Kaczmarek now with French League club Auxerre.

It is clear that Polish players can attract the interest of scouts from the big name European clubs and that is something to aim for.

He was highly impressed by the degree of professionalism in Polish soccer and was able to learn a great deal particularly from Legia's two Celtic players who returned to their original club during the Scottish off-season.

These two, Dariusz Wdowczyk and Jacky Dziekanowski, gave David special individual coaching during his final weeks at Legia.



David Kealy outside the Legia Stadium in Warsaw in his Opel-sponsored Polish club strip.

Other members of the squad have gone over from Sydney for short spells with Polish clubs in recent times, but there were plans for a full-scale touring side this year. When this fell through, it was eventually possible for just one player to spend a short time with a Polish club.

David had put his football career on ice for two seasons, attending to his HSC studies and despite already showing a lot of promise with both Blacktown City and Sydney Croatia, he agreed with his father, Glen, that study had to come first.

The pair are partners in a building sub-contracting business, but when he had completed his exams David was happy for David to spend some time with a ball at his feet, instead of working during his potentially best years of soccer.

The three years spent with Bankstown Premier League side Greenacre, while out of the senior game and study, were most enjoyable. David played in the all-age side, from the age of 16, under the guidance of respected



Kealy, centre, with Legia first team players Jacak Bak, Jacek Cyzio, Marciej Szczesny, Mieczyslaw Pisz, Marek Jozwiak and Robert Kucharski after training.

'Old timers' still have a lot to give the game

BY MIKE JOHNSON

WENT along to Seymour Shaw Park, home of NSW State League club Sutherland to watch it play North Shore.

Sutherland is the local club to me. I coached it for four years in the early 1970s.

The Shire of Sutherland is in the southern regions of Sydney with a population of 250,000 — that is as many people as greater Newcastle or Wollongong.



John Kosmina

It used to have 13,000 junior soccer players in its region, but under attack from rugby league, basketball, baseball and sundry other sports this number has now been reduced to under 10,000, which is still a massive number of players.

The crowd against lowly North Shore was some 500 people, which was an increase on recent years.

The recruitment of John Kosmina and Graham Arnold was obviously a draw, as was the undefeated second place on the ladder.

Sutherland has been used to a mid-ladder position in recent years.

The increase in the standard of the State

League with the recruitment by many clubs of National League players presumably was also the reason for the modest crowd increase.

As the NSW State League is increasing in stature, it is also attracting experienced coaches.

Successful National League coach John Fleming is in charge of Rockdale, with former National League coaches Ilija Takac and Casey de Bruin at the helm of Canterbury and Wollongong Macedonia respectively.

Some weeks ago I watched an excellent game between those two clubs at Arlington Oval — a ground with so much tradition.

Even in State League Second Division we have 1974 World Cup coach Rale Rasic now handling Yuga, and Uruguayan international, Vince Estavillo in charge at Fairfield.

Estavillo has done well at Fairfield and could have a future in coaching here.

Sitting apart from the spectators at the Sutherland-North Shore game was Wollongong's de Bruin.

He was quietly taking notes on Sutherland, its players and methods in preparation for the following week when his team would host Sutherland down at Wollongong.



Vince Estavillo

Casey's trip wasn't wasted because they knocked off the 'Sharks' 1-0 to go to the top of the State League.

The Sutherland-North Shore game was devoid of Arnold, a disappointment and big loss to the locals.

However, they did have 'Kossie' and a lad I had not seen before, Grant Bard, playing alongside him.

Bard was very useful, nippy, with good control and a fair finisher who currently is up among the league's top scorers.

Kosmina retains much of the target man's know-how he acquired partially during his short spell at Arsenal and continued during his time with Eddie Thomson in the successful Sydney City side.

However, John is now 33 and somewhat overweight and is easier to contain than in earlier days.

Nevertheless, he is giving Sutherland good value, putting a lot into the game and as ever playing very physically, with the skills and

knowledge of a professional.

Writing this on a Friday morning, I have in mind a former teammate of Kosmina whom my team, Southern Districts, will be encountering on the morrow in State League Division 2.

He is also an international. Joe Watson, ex-Sydney City and Australian midfield playmaker, now appearing for Waverley.

Saw Joe last weekend playing against Gladesville-Hornsby and he still has absolutely wonderful touches and brilliant long-passing skills.

The play in NSW State League and Second Division this year surpasses by far that of any year when I have been involved.

The thing is to play the games in a clean sporting manner, hard, highly competitive, but with no diving and squirming, no kicking and professional fouling.

Play with pride, like men, don't be scared to attack and these two competitions could be really worth watching.

It needs the refereeing inspectors to get off the referees' backs.

The referees in the State League are pulling up every minor incident and foul just to keep the inspectors 'happy'.

This is spoiling what could be great games of soccer in two competitions which are relatively free of the negative elements that are killing soccer as a spectacle in many parts of the world.

The Polonia Anniversary

CALLING all past players and officials from Polonia Maribyrnong (Melbourne) soccer club.

Next month is Polonia's 40th Anniversary celebrations and the club is keen to invite all past representatives of the club to join in.

Polonia is especially keen to hear from past players from the 1950s, 60s, 70s and 80s and all are cordially invited to the 40th Anniversary Ball.

Ex-Polonia people interested in attending the ball should contact Sophi Hadejski on (03) 391 5433 ASAP.

Trio impress on Asian tour

BY KEITH GILMOUR

DAVID Seal, Paul Okon and Lorenz Kindtner made such an impression on national coach Eddie Thomson on the just concluded Young Socceroo Asian tour that they have booked their places in the Australian Olympic Games under 23 squad.

The trio will however miss this month's Olympic team's trip to Europe, as they are required for the World Youth Cup elimination games in Fiji beginning on September 2.

Thomson said: "We are struggling for Olympic Games strikers, and that gives a number of players the chance to win positions."

"Further under 20 players will also come under consideration if they continue to go well."

"Steve Corica and Kris Trajanovski are others who will be closely watched."



Paul Okon

The Olympic Games squad will leave for its five match European tour on August 13, with Thomson in charge and with Sydney Olympic coach Mick Hickman as his assistant.

Les Scheinflug will look after the national team, who will be competing at the Piala Kemerdekaan tournament in Jakarta from August 19/29.

Immediately upon his return Scheinflug will be off to Fiji for the Oceania Youth qualifiers.

THE James Hardie Arena Football League burst onto the Australian soccer scene last week, with an impressive and well produced gala night featuring an all-star East vs West challenge at Sydney's State Sport Centre, Homebush.

Playing to a packed stadium of approximately 4000 spectators, "The Game of the 21st Century" had the crowd on its feet due to the rapid nature of play and exciting capability of the losing team never to stray too far behind the leader.

With commentary from the big man himself, Daryl Eastlake, and Socceroo Charlie Yankos, the night's action included cheer leaders and a sideline rock band.

Filmed by Videopak, a production company contracted by Channel Nine, the event billed as 'Arena Football's finest hour' will be

shown on Channel Nine's Wide World of Sports in the near future.

The new style of game contains several rule changes to that of normal indoor soccer.

The major ones are a 3, 2, 1 point scoring system, a 10 second rule which allows each team to keep the ball in their half for no longer than ten seconds,



BERNIE DUVAL
(West coach)

with the most innovative being the opportunity for either side to substitute their goalkeeper for an extra striker in the last two minutes of the second and fourth quarters.

These changes were devised by both Australian Futsal officials



and representatives of Channel Nine to increase the attraction of the game when shown on television.

Adjudicator for the night, referee Ray McCluskey, the 1989 National League Referee of the Year who is also a member of indoor football's world governing body FIFA, said it was the fastest moving game of football at which he had ever officiated.

Asked whether he thought it was perhaps too fast for one on-court referee he said "A referee will only begin to make mistakes when he lapses in concentration."

"The pace of the game tonight was so fast and furious I never had time to even think about taking my eyes off the play."



SISKA FILIPOVIC
(East)

Bernie Duval, coach of Wests, the losing team of the night, said he was happy with the way his team had played and made the point that there were no losers on the night.

"I'm extremely happy with the way everything has run tonight."

"I personally have put a lot of time and money into my team

and the game, and it looks as if it's really going to start to pay off."

"I honestly believe I'll be able to secure major sponsors for my team as will others."

"This is a game that really attracts the eye and initiates tremendous crowd support and involvement."

The West All Stars who went down to the East are an actual club team under the banner of West Sydney.

They would be one of the proposed eight teams that will form the Arena Football League planned to take-off in November this year.

Under the set format eight clubs will compete in a truly national competition with teams from NSW, Queensland, Victoria, Western Australia, the ACT and possibly South Australia and Illawarra.



CHARLIE AKKARY
(West)

For Jimmy Roberts, the general manager of the James Hardie Arena Football League, the success of the promotion was the culmination of months of planning and work by himself and others.

"I couldn't have expected much better."

"Tonight has really put the League and myself in a position where we can negotiate with major commercial television networks and turn our game into one of the major mainstream sports in the country."

"What I was extremely impressed with was the cross section of the community that turned up tonight to see our game."

"I have no doubt that this is just the beginning for Arena Football."

NSL TABLE
COMPILED BY
GREG BLAKE

NATIONAL SOCCER LEAGUE ALL TIME LEAGUE TABLES 1977/88 SEASON 3

POS	TEAM	P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS	SUCCESS RATE
1st	MARCONI	368	173	94	101	646	429	440	59.78%
2nd	STH.MELB	368	167	96	105	538	414	430	58.42%
3rd	ADEL.CITY	368	141	98	129	516	445	380	51.63%
4th	SYD.CITY	266	153	64	49	520	266	370	69.55%
5th	SYD.OLYMPIC	342	134	93	115	476	414	361	52.78%
6th	HEIDELBERG	316	129	87	100	456	419	345	54.59%
7th	ST GEORGE	338	126	93	119	469	474	345	51.04%
8th	APIA	316	121	84	111	405	403	326	51.58%
9th	MELB.JUST	342	98	96	148	300	398	292	42.69%
10th	PRESTON	264	100	77	87	358	311	277	52.46%
11th	BRIS.LIONS	292	91	78	123	348	429	260	44.52%
12th	ADEL.HELLAS	292	89	63	140	338	447	241	41.27%
13th	CANBERRA	266	79	67	120	335	394	225	42.29%
14th	BRIS. CITY	266	75	72	119	292	407	222	41.73%
15th	WOLLONGONG	240	76	65	99	292	379	217	45.21%
16th	SYD.CROATIA	174	81	44	49	259	197	206	59.20%
17th	MELB.CROAT.	174	73	42	59	235	209	188	54.02%
18th	SUNSHINE GC	174	48	48	78	177	262	144	41.38%
19th	BLACKTOWN	180	51	39	90	221	325	141	39.17%
20th	NEWC.UTD	138	50	40	48	192	195	140	50.72%
21st	BRUNSWICK JUVE	122	51	27	44	165	148	129	52.87%
22nd	NEWC.R'BUD	80	34	17	29	116	111	85	53.25%
23rd	WESTERN SUBS	52	20	13	19	79	74	53	50.96%
24th	GREEN GULLY	72	17	18	37	74	102	52	36.11%
25th	MELITA EAGLES	54	18	14	22	54	69	50	46.30%
26th	PENRITH	50	12	15	22	53	76	39	39.00%
27th	INTER MONARO	66	10	11	28	47	82	31	23.48%
28th	MOOROOLBARK	26	5	5	16	31	61	15	28.85%
29th	CANTERBURY	22	2	7	13	17	41	11	25.00%



The trophy for NSL Players' Player of the Year and the Warren Medal itself is held by Michael Komadina in the absence of winner Zeljko Adzic. On Komadina's left is Branko Milosevic, the Melbourne Croatia midfielder who has joined the Socceroo squad. At left is Adelaide City goalkeeper David Miller. John Warren is second from the left at back.

Keen Melbourne youth coach Stan Koliba has reason to be extremely pleased.

His son Jason and Kris Trajanovski, now members of the young Socceroo squad, came through his club in Melbourne.

The Young Socceroos have a big Victorian, as well as NSW, content and Stan believes that this outstanding squad fully deserves much better exposure in the media.

Peter Kelly, the Director of Coaching at Toowoomba, got his team up for a prestigious 4-3 win over Gold Coast in the recent Queensland Inter-City series to capture third position.

Kelly is the former director at Bundaberg. His opposite number,

Jim Selby, has the job of strengthening his team for the 1991 tournament

Inter Monaro has lost the services of high-scoring Emil Maricic, probably for the balance of the NSW State League season, after breaking his left arm in the match against Sydney Croatia.

Fortunately for Monaro, coach Harry Williams has Arsenije Popovich, the youngest of three brothers, looking the part in his striking role.

Col Scott-Kemmis, the long serving official with Blacktown City and Ku-ring-gai (now North Shore United), has been appointed soccer secretary for Blacktown City. He also has been a member of the NSW Soccer

Federation general purposes committee.

Heather Reid, the secretary of the Australian Women's Soccer Association, is currently assessing the scene in European women's football in Denmark

'ST ALBANS' attacking defender Frank Simovic, formerly of North Geelong, in only his second game back after a lengthy lay-off due to a total knee reconstruction, has broken down again.

During a recent clash against Heidelberg, Simovic's left knee gave way after coming down from a straight forward header and now must face the surgeon's knife once more!

Simovic, at 26, will miss a further 18 months and his State League career is now in jeopardy as a return to competitive soccer at a lower level will be a task in itself!

ASW wishes Frank Simovic a healthy recovery and hopefully a return to the game he loves and plays so well.

Apia-Leichhardt striker Peter Murray has won a place in the Australian Olympic squad for the European tour. He replaces Blacktown City's Peter Bennett, who is on the injured list. The Olympic squad leaves on August 13

FAN CLUBS

MENDO Stojanovski of 77 Wellesley Crescent, Parklea, NSW 2148, wants the addresses of the Australian fan clubs of Juventus and West Germany.

If these exist, please get in touch with him.

Victoria-SA matches back after 11 years

BY ALLAN DUFF



INTERSTATE clashes between South Australia and Victoria are set to resume after an absence of 11 years — this time in Mildura.

Victorian Soccer Federation general manager George Wallace said last week that plans are in place for SA to play Victoria on a regular basis at major rural areas.

The states last met at Hindmarsh Stadium in 1979 when Victoria won 2-0.

Victoria fielded a State League select, while SA chose a NSL-based squad.

"We floated the idea of reviving interstate competition between SA and Victoria when we met in Adelaide recently and tentatively agreed to play the first game in Mildura in late October or early November," Mr Wallace said.

"As an additional promotion, we also discussed the possibility of the states meeting again next year in Mount Gambier."

Since the Quit National Soccer League will be in full swing in October, the SA and Victorian teams will comprise only of State League players.

SASF vice-chairman Basil Scorsella said his federation has always supported interstate games against Victoria.

"Once we obtain further details on costs, we will consider the concept further," he said.

Victoria play in Hobart

A Victorian team comprising NSL players will meet Tasmania in a State of Origin game in Hobart on September 1.

The Victorian team coach was set to be named last night (Tuesday) at a VSF board of management meeting, and the squad will be named within the next fortnight.



Players like South Australia's Alex Tobin, here in action for the Socceroos against Hajduk Split, would jump at the chance of playing against Victoria when interstate games resume — HECTOR CARRASCO plc.

Englishman seeks place

ASHLEY Fothergill, a 20-year-old 76kg English midfielder or right-back with a Swedish club until October, is keen to join a top Australian side.

Fothergill narrowly missed the cut-off at Middlesbrough in October 1989, but gained an exemplary reference from coach Bruce Rioch after two years in the youth training scheme.

He played 75 reserve team games with the club, captaining them for 30 games, and had 15 first team matches for Fourth Division Rochdale.

Other tributes to his conduct and professionalism have come from Ronnie Glavin, the ex-Scottish international formerly with Celtic and Barnsley, former Rochdale manager Brian Green and Darlington chief scout Barrie Gildart.

Contact can be made with Fothergill through Bill Roberts on 07 399 7634.

APPLICATION

It could be that a well known former coaching director has put his application in for the post of National Director of Coaching.

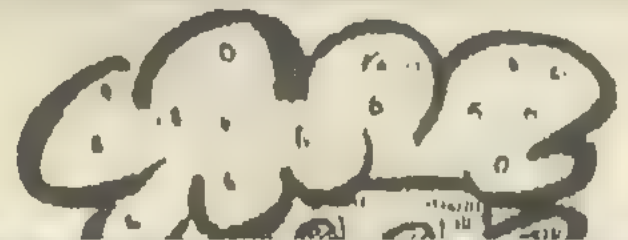


NSL match official and NSW referees inspector Michael Komadina pictured with Sydney Olympic president George Paschalis and Mrs Paschalis, with the NSL Championship Trophy. Which club will be successful when the 1990/91 season comes around? It isn't far away!

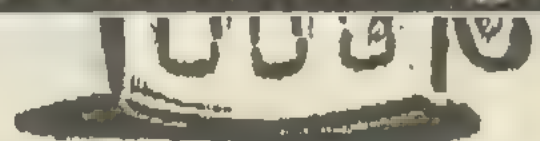
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Ogden, the unlikely saviour

THERE will be a touch of irony if new Coalstars coach John Ogden succeeds in saving the club from relegation — which now seems more likely than not.

Ogden played several seasons as a junior with Coalstars' arch Ipswich rivals St Helens, who now play in the Second Division after their relegation from the XXXX League last season.

Although Ogden went on to make a name for himself with Brisbane Lions after his Ebbw Vale stint, he is set to be a bigger hero if he saves Coalstars.

And after a gutsy midweek 2-0 win over Rochedale last week, the Coalstars have one foot firmly on safe ground.

In seven matches since Ogden took over the coaching reins at Bundamba, the once struggling side has collected 10 points. Another three in the final five rounds, plus one more catch-up, will ensure Coalstars avoid the drop.

The modest Ogden claims Coalstars were never a bad side, they just needed a bit of organisation to climb away from the top of the table.

Ogden, who holds a

down has been that his form has improved 100 percent. He's a tower of strength for us up front and is a great example for the younger players in the side."

Ogden said he had modelled his coaching methods by recalling the good and bad aspects of dozen coaches he played under during his time at Lions. He names Les Scheinflug, Simon Kistemaker, Juan Cutillas and Bruce Stowell as major influences and points out "we had a few bad ones who showed me what not to do."

"I like the way Bruce did things with the state team and I've used some of his methods," Ogden said. "The difference between Coalstars now and earlier in the season is that we are a tighter outfit now."

"Before everyone was trying, but they didn't understand their job. People were running back when they weren't required and standing off when they were."

"Now each player knows his position and his job. It doesn't matter who comes into the team, the other players stick to the job they know they must do."

Although Ogden has

always been regarded as one of Queensland's best students of the game, he admits he has had to make chances himself in his new role.

"I have had to get more serious and get the respect of the team," he said. "I feel I've got that and I think it is an important part of our revival."

Although the thin Coalstars squad affords Ogden few options, he has blooded a number of juniors and proudly boasts five of his starting line up are aged younger than 20.

"There's a big future at Coalstars now," he said. Ogden, 31 this month, is hopeful, but uncertain that he will be part of it. The club are yet to approach him about next season. Complicating the matter is the fact that he is still a Lions player, on loan to Coalstars to end of this season.

"I'd certainly like to continue coaching," he said. "At the moment, sorting out the playing side of things for next year is not a high priority, not playing over the past month hasn't got to me yet."

"If it does, then I'll try and work something out with my contract, otherwise I'd just like to continue coaching."

AMPOL FINAL

CURRENT Ampol Cup holders North Star will play Eastern Suburbs in this year's Cup final to be played at Perry Park on August 19.

North Star have a fine record in the Cup competition, having won back to back Cup finals in 1984-85, now they have the opportunity of repeating the double again in August.

The semi-final wins which gave North Star and Eastern Suburbs entry into the final were not easy matches.

Eastern Suburbs' win over Brisbane City had to be decided with a penalty shoot-out.

In the other semi, if Pine Rivers had received the better end of the decision-making, the result may have been different.

But that's football and North Star are in the final, which will be a great match and we will have to wait and see if North Star can make it four wins in the Ampol Cup.

One point that needs a mention in relation to the Ampol Cup semi-finals was the Cheer Girl support for North Star.

The girls never stopped supporting their team for the full 90 minutes.

A lot of soccer clubs could certainly learn a lot from their performance.

In the XXXX League competition, Brisbane Lions, are still grinding out the points at the top of the ladder.

North Star have been anxious to unseat Brisbane City from second position without success.

In their last encounter, the scoreline was a 1-1 draw.

The top three teams in Brisbane are still Brisbane Lions, City, North Star, with Eastern Suburbs still on a roll with Pine Rivers breathing down their necks in fifth position.

It certainly is building towards a great grand final on September 3, at Perry Park.

— PAT McERLEAN

Taringa set to upgrade ground

EMERGING XXXX League giants Taringa Rovers are now set to complement their unrivalled clubhouse facilities with a top-line playing surface.

The Speare Park-based Rovers, who have become a top

The new field will complement Taringa's outstanding fully-owned clubhouse and first-class dressing room facilities, which will be paid off this season.

While the club has concentrated in recent years on facilities rather than wasting money in the transfer market, it seems on-



Carl Peterson (Taringa), left, under challenge from Wayne Corbett of Easts.

four force this season after languishing mid-table and lower in recent years, are set to spend more than \$50,000 on upgrading their often maligned field.

Club president Frank Speare said the work would start on August 28, the day after the club's final home XXXX League fixture.

Taringa have enlisted the aid of a consultant to plot the work which will include minimising the current metre drop across the diagonal of the field.

Extensive underground drainage will be laid while the club is hoping to enlist the support of sponsors Boral and Queensland Cement to get premium sub-surface materials.

The turf to be laid will be the same as that used at rugby league headquarters Lang Park, recognised as one of the best surfaces in Queensland.

"I'm confident that when everything is finished and has had time to establish, Taringa will have one of the best footballing surfaces in Brisbane, if not the state," Speare said.

field success may be just around the corner.

Astute buying over the past 18 months and renewed enthusiasm sparked by coach Glenn Davis has Taringa causing more than its share of upsets this season.

The former battlers should have beaten XXXX League leaders Lions but for a late missed penalty.

"There's an air of quiet confidence at the club," Speare said.

"Taringa have never been ones to make loud noises about winning things, but our football is doing a lot of talking for us this season."

REGIONAL NEWS

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Bris City	16	9	4	3	30	17	31
North Star	16	7	7	1	42	23	26
Taringa Rov	16	7	7	2	22	17	28
Eastern Subb	16	7	4	5	25	20	25
Pine Rivers	15	7	1	5	24	26	22
Rochedale Rov	16	5	4	6	21	29	22
Acacia Ridge	17	6	0	11	26	30	18
Coalstars	16	4	2	9	14	26	14
MI Gravit	16	4	0	12	17	28	12
Grange This	16	2	6	8	16	32	12
Olympic Utd	16	3	2	11	13	34	11

DIVISION 2

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Merang	17	12	3	2	37	16	39
Bris Croal	17	11	2	4	36	19	35
Italia City	17	6	7	2	39	20	31
St Albans	17	6	4	5	27	25	28
St Helens	17	6	3	8	26	20	27
Wynnum	17	6	6	5	24	21	24
Newmarket	17	7	2	8	30	30	23
The Gap	17	6	5	6	15	16	23
Wilowburn	17	5	3	9	27	29	18
Goodine	17	5	3	9	16	27	18
Michellton	17	3	3	11	16	34	14
Redlands	17	0	5	12	13	50	5

DIVISION 3

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Armerley	16	9	5	2	33	14	32
U/Valley	16	8	3	5	28	23	27
Derra Utd	16	7	6	4	33	26	26
Slacks Cl	16	7	4	4	27	13	25
Souths Utd	16	7	4	4	25	20	25
Lutwyche	16	7	4	5	25	25	25
Redcliffe	16	6	5	5	16	19	23
Kingsridge	16	4	5	6	21	24	22
Beenleigh	15	5	4	6	19	25	19
Brothers	14	4	1	9	11	32	13
Orley	15	3	2	10	18	28	11
Uni of Qld	16	1	5	10	15	32	8

DIVISION 4

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Albany Cl	16	10	5	1	34	12	35
Critford Jvi	16	9	2	5	28	19	29
Capraiba	15	7	4	4	37	21	25
Southside Eag	15	7	4	4	23	16	25
Pine Hills	16	5	9	2	24	15	24
Deception Bay	16	7	2	7	30	32	23
Samford Range	16	5	5	6	23	23	20
Kenmore Rm	16	4	8	4	24	25	20
South Star	16	4	5	7	7	27	17
Topowong	16	3	6	7	23	36	15
Umchard	16	3	4	9	14	28	13
Western Subs	16	2	4	10	27	48	10

level three coaching badge, took over as coach after a tumultuous three weeks at Bundamba.

Player-coach Mark Brusasco admirably swallowed his pride and stood down in the interests of the team's battle for survival, then replacement Phil Caldwell was forced to resign because of ill-health.

Ogden had a dream start with his team thumping Brisbane City 4-0 in their opening game. The win did not come without a price. Striker Peter Vogler and Ogden were sidelined with quadracep injuries.

While Ogden believes his side could have been a chance for the finals if Vogler had been able to play over the past month, he rates his injury a blessing in disguise.

"It's allowed me to sit on the sidelines and concentrate solely on coaching," Ogden said. "To be honest, I haven't missed playing because I am enjoying the coaching so much."

Ogden pays tribute to Brusasco for much of his success.

"Mark had the team working well, we were just possibly working in the wrong area," he said. "The best thing about Mark stepping

Red-hot Lions

BRISBANE Lions are now red-hot favourites to be Queensland's representatives in the National League promotion play-offs this

The Philips League Foundation members, who made an unsuccessful return to the national competition three years ago after their axing in the 1986 restructuring, have had their positions at the top of the XXXX League consolidated by results in other matches.

With four rounds remaining, Lions are seven points clear under a three points for a win system.

Their position as title favourites was enhanced last week when potential challengers, North Star and Brisbane City, shared the points in their rescheduled early season without match.

Both sides needed maximum points to mount a late charge at Lions.

Lions' last four games includes matches against the three bottom sides.

While the matches are certain to be tough affairs, it would be an upset if the leaders did not emerge with maximum points.

Their only tough match "on paper" is in a fortnight against long-time rivals North Star

at Richlands.

Last year Stars scored a last-minute equaliser to grab a point which clinched the premiership. Lions could well need only a draw in this year's clash to seal their spot in the NSL play-offs.

Lions officials last month gave a guarantee to contest the play-offs, but no further plans about a return to the NSL have been announced.

Calls for a combined Brisbane team in the National League have been bandied for more than three years, but the Queensland Soccer Federation has announced such a side would not be ready until the 1992 season.

Should Lions win the NSL promotion play-offs, against the Victorian and South Australian premiers, they then could face the prospect of being in the National League one season, then superceded by the Brisbane United side.

On the other hand, the club might fancy itself to regain a foothold in the summer competition which could scuttle the Brisbane United plans, over which the QSF has long dallied.

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NSW takes U19 women's nationals

FROM JILL EVERARD

THE Under 19 NSW Women's State soccer squad was victorious in taking out first place honours in the Australian Youth National Titles, which were played at Wembley Park Box Hill in Melbourne from July 7/15.

The win comes hot on the heels of the Under 15 women's squad's victory at their series, held at the beginning of July in Brisbane.

The Under 19s played five matches, winning their four against Tasmania, South Queensland, ACT and Northern NSW, and having a 1-1 draw against Victoria.

At the Presentation

Night held on the Saturday, players selected for the National Youth Squad were named, and those selected from the NSW squad were Traci Bartlett, Kaye Yardin, Lisa Turnbull, (Melita Eagles) Jane Hornsby (Epping Eastwood), Justine Fisher, Amanda Sherrin (Liverpool) and Amanda Patterson (Cronulla).

Natalie Merlino (Melita Eagles) was also named as a shadow player.

Lisa Turnbull was also the tournament's top goalscorer, with a total of 10 goals to her credit, from a team total of 13.

Team coach John Pentecost was extremely pleased with the girls' efforts, and particularly happy about the way the team

conducted itself, both on and off the field.

This was displayed in the way they dressed, their attitude, and the way they looked after each other during the Tournament.

Manager of the squad, Ms Mari-Luise Agius, commented that the girls were most professional at all times, and that there was an abundance of team spirit and comradeship.

This was enhanced by the fact that many families and friends also travelled to Melbourne to watch the team in action and lent much support to the girls and the officials.

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NEW SOUTH WALES U19 Women's team: National Champions 1990: Back: Traci Bartlett, Jane Hornsby, Libby Stedman, Justine Fisher (v-capt), Kaye Yardin, Sharon Morrison. Middle: John Pentecost (coach), Kelly Woosnam (physio), Vicki Linton, Kristin Burke, Amanda Paterson, Natalie Merlino, Mari-Luise Agius (manageress), Peter Wingrove (NSW official). Front: Tracey Duncan, Lisa Turnbull, Ourania Amvrazis, Melissa Redding, Trinette Legrand, Amanda Sherrin (capt).



Caledonian's David Dunsby (dark shirt) in a midfield tussle with White Eagle's Craig Pitt. (White Eagle 3 Calies) — Photo by Tony Palmer, "The Mercury"

The ACT scene

BY GRHAM COOKE

ON Top lived up to its name by retaining its title in the ACT Indoor Soccer Association's Northside play-offs at Dickson College.

The Toppers took the bite out of the Vipers by winning 8-4 with two goals each from Zenko Vukelic, Stephen Vukelic and Claudio Canas, backed by singles from Tom and Zdravko Rogic. Best for the Snakes was John Nounainen.

In the semi-finals On Top beat Legends 5-3 and Vipers accounted for Deakin Inn 9-5 in a dramatic match which was only settled after extra time and a penalty shoot-out which went to the sudden death stage.

THE ACT under 14 representative team has

hit a financial roadblock to its plans to take part in the national titles in Launceston in September as a result of ACTSF cost-cutting. Players are now attempting the raise the required funds themselves.

JOE Minnello's winner against Canberra Croatia on Sunday was his fourth in three games since returning to the University of Canberra's squad after a lengthy break through injury.

And while University coach Ian Shaw is pleased with the current form of his senior players, the performance of 19-year-old winger Lee Hamilton on his league debut on Sunday also put a smile on his face.

ADELAIDE WHISPERS

BY ALLAN CROSS

FLAMBOYANT goalkeeper Tony Pezzano and midfielder Paul Carter have boosted Hellas' morale both on and off the field.

That's the opinion of Hellas skipper Alby Kidd, who said that both recruits are strong characters, capable of motivating their team-mates.

FORMER Adelaide Hellas defender Tom Forde, now with Second Division club Omonia, has appealed against a 10-match suspension.

The South Australian Federation's Second Division disciplinary committee imposed the penalty on Forde after finding him guilty of striking Central District Apac sweeper Steve Daly during a league game on June 10.

Apac player Steve Daly, who appeared as a witness at the tribunal hearing, gave evidence that he had five stitches inserted in a head wound after the incident.

Evidence was given that the incident involving Forde and Daly occurred after Forde's brother Peter had been sent off following a mid-pitch melee.

ADELAIDE CITY has been stumped by an invitation from the Singapore Cricket Club to contest a seven-a-side tournament in Singapore in October.

With the Quit National Soccer League due to kick off at the same time, City has passed the invite on to the club's Old Boys team.

Tournament organiser Michael Grice reports that he has agreed to a request from former England World Cup striker Geoff Hurst, who played in the series last year, to reduce the size of the pitch for this year's event.

YOUNG Polonia reserve team goalkeeper Edmore Mahteka suffered a hair line fracture of his left arm last week and had to miss this week's league joust against Beograd.

Zimbabwe-born Mahteka is a tireless trainer and one of the most popular players at the Croydon Park club.

MODBURY's new colour match programme recently featured Peter Mullen, who was asked to list his toughest opponents.

Mullen answered: "Joe Mullen, Phillip Mullen and Tim Mullen."

AZZURRI defender Gary Moretti believes in telling it like it is.

In a recent star spot interview in the Azzurri match programme Moretti, 22, answered his main ambition question thus: "To play at Azzurri's new stadium before I turn 30!"

Hellas set for play-offs

BY ALLAN CROSS

ADELAIDE Hellas, with the Foundation SA State title won, now is looking to the Soviet Union to bolster its team for the National Soccer League play-offs.

The ambitious club has studied a list of imposing European recruiting candidates, which includes three former Russian and Ukrainian internationals.

Club president Michael Aronis said that he hoped to clinch two overseas players before surging into the NSL play-offs against the champion Victo-

rian and Queensland teams.

Coach Neil Bonnar revelled in the State League championship success on Saturday.

Hellas snatched the league crown by one point from Croatia in a thrilling finale to the 1990 season.

It was a day of drama at Camden Reserve where Hellas triumphed 2-1 over the highly competitive Birkalla team led by virtuoso veteran Graham Honeyman.

Honeyman, 37, announced before the game that he would retire as a player at the end of Birkalla's West End Premier Cup campaign.

The former Hellas captain brought down the curtain on a magnificent 20-year career by almost denying his old team victory in his final league match.

Despite Adelaide Hellas' keenness on the Soviet recruits, the final registration date of June 30 last could well be their stumbling block.

ACT LEAGUE

Belconnen United 2 University of Canberra 3, Defence Academy 1 Juventus 2, Tuggeranong United 1 Canberra Croatia 2 Weston Creek 0 Canberra City Concordia 7

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Juventus	15	10	3	2	36	14	23
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Belconnen Utd	15	8	4	3	29	17	20
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Tuggeranong Utd	14	5	5	4	32	22	15
Canberra Croatia	15	7	0	8	31	26	14
Weston Creek	15	2	3	10	15	37	7
Defence Acad	15	0	1	14	9	58	1

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BHP Austral wins in Fiji

BY EDDIE BOARDS

VISITING Newcastle BHP Australs were too strong for the Fijian national team at Ratu Cakobau Park, Nausori, last Saturday and recorded an emphatic 2-0 win after the score was tied at 0-0 at half-time.

The game was played in hot conditions on a pitch that had been soaked with rain two days prior to the kick-off.

This did not deter the Australians, who took the game to the Fijians.

straight from the kick-off. Gary Phillips was prepared to shoot from any angle and from any distance.

Brett Porter had the ball in the net in the 28th minute but his effort was in vain as a team-mate was off-side.

In the 35th minute, BHP was awarded a penalty when the ball was handled in the Fiji area.

Unfortunately, the resultant spotkick struck the post, spun across the goalmouth

and was eventually cleared to safety.

Australs had most of the first half possession, not allowing the Fijians to use their clever ball skills, closing them down early.

Fiji brought in their star player Madigi with 10 minutes to go to half-time.

His speed and skill made a difference, giving the Newcastle back four some extra work to do.

He did get the ball in the net, but the linesman had seen his hand assist the shot.

Earlier, Phillips had hit the upright with a tremendous shot from 30 metres.

Soon after the start of the second half, McWhirter and Naumov came on as replacements to add more width to Australs' play.

It came as no surprise when Porter, who was set free to run at goal, scored from a perfect pass supplied by Howie Tredinnick in the 59th minute.

Fiji, stung into action, pushed forward and put pressure on the Newcastle goal.

Tasto, who had worked hard, was denied an equaliser when Carter pulled off a superb save, stretching high to his left to prevent a certain goal.

Realising that Fiji were not able to get the better of their defence, BHP Austral went looking for the safety margin of a second goal.

A long clearance from the back was collected by Costa Caimakamis, who was having an excellent game.

He took on the Fijian sweeper and left him standing after an electrifying burst of speed.

The keeper forced him to shoot and he saved the shot but the ball ran free with Costa in pursuit.

When Caimakamis reached the box the Fijian goalie had no alternative but to pull him down and another penalty was awarded.

This time Bobby Naumov made no mistake with the 79th minute spotkick which clinched the match 2-0 for the Australs.

Fiji Tagi, Kiri, Simon, Nikini, Nabaro, Mohd, Alroz, Rajesh, Chaundary, Taito, Suliano, Subs: Bimal, Madigi. BHP AUSTRAL: Carter, Bowen, Boogaard, Tredinnick, Jones, Bailey, Phillips (Naumov), Porter, (Roberts), Caimakamis, Elphick (McWhirter), Maler.

READERS HAVE THEIR SAY

BIASED

AS a German supporter I was disgusted by Jurgen Klinsmann's diving, and he deserves any criticism he gets.

However, why has the media been so silent towards other disgraceful incidents such as

★ Carlos Valderrama faking injury against Germany to the extent that he was carried off on a stretcher only to return to the field when he feared he may be substituted,

★ Gary Lineker's dive to get a penalty against Cameroun

★ Frank Rijkaard spitting in Rudi Voller's face at least twice

★ Caniggia, Stojkovic, Maradona, Escobar and many, many others who were just as notorious as Klinsmann for diving,

★ and the lowest point of the tournament, which was missed by the whole media: Ronald Koeman's thuggery with a king-hit on Stefan Reuter, one minute after Germany scored their second goal against the Dutch.

The media's ignorance doesn't end there.

How can Mike Johnson be so unimpressed with Germany, when the rest of the world (including media) were left gasping at Germany's awesome display of football against Yugoslavia, Holland, Czechoslovakia and UAE.

He even believes "his" England outplayed Germany Rubbish!

This was Germany's worst match and they still had most of the game.

On a brighter note, in a World Cup that was starving for goals, Germany scored 15 goals.

The next highest (Italy and Czechoslovakia) could only manage 10 apiece.

Matthaus, Brehme, Hassler and Klinsmann (despite his theatrics) are amongst the world's elite footballers.

Please, be more positive and congratulate the worthy world champions.

WUNDERBAR
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Cabramatta NSW

GERMAN FAN

I will still buy ASW as long as it exists, but only because of my love of soccer.

Your reporting of the final of the World Cup was not objective.

To report that the West German team were not the best was unfortunate.

They abided by the rules of the World Cup competition and won the Cup by the efforts of the players and coach.

To single out Voller and Klinsmann as culprits for diving is disgraceful.

These players were

not alone in these acts.

The criticism of the West Germans is not new as ASW also claims they should not have won in 1954 and 1974.

Please do not regard this as a knock to soccer because I am not a fence-sitter.

For me there is only one football code - SOCCER!

But what has to be said has to be said.

F. G. Coulter,
Mulgrave, Vic.

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[We have now been able to obtain SA, but regret WA tables have proved more difficult - Ed]

WORLD CUP COVERAGE

I cannot praise too highly the magnificent coverage of the 1990 World Cup on SBS and in Australian Soccer Weekly.

I have been in Australia for just 18 months



Jurgen Klinsmann of West Germany — was his world champion team discriminated against?

C.H.S.

FOR weeks, I have searched in vain for a follow-up on the C.H.S. Championships at Parklea in Sydney in June.

I am an avid Hunter Region supporter and had heard that the Hunter had in fact come third and one of the Hunter boys, Troy Harpin, had received the honour of Best and Fairest for the tournament.

I realise you can only go on what you receive in information, but it would be great to give our Hunter Valley boys a boost.

Your "Soccer Weekly" is in my opinion the best thing around and I wouldn't miss it for the world.

By the way, congratulations on your top coverage of the World Cup.

(Ms) J. Lee
Cardiff, NSW.

LADDERS

I purchase the "Australian Soccer Weekly" to do the pools.

It covers Queensland, Victoria and NSW/ACT. The information given is a big help and I urgently now require the same information for South Australia and Western Australia.

Why doesn't your paper cover these regions?

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Moroccan international tries out with Olympic

BY JOHN ECONOMOS

A LOVE STORY which started in Italy last year has led a 25-year-old Moroccan international midfielder to migrate to Australia to marry his Australian girlfriend Karen.



Othmane Mekency and girlfriend Karen at a Sydney Olympic function last week.

It has also led to the player finding his way into Sydney Olympic's training sessions.

The player is Othmane Mekency who, whilst playing in the Italian Third Division with Gualdo-Cataneo, first met Karen.

Karen McHardy, 24, studying languages in an Italian university, soon linked up with Othmane who was attending the same institution.

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They fell in love and Karen (born in Lithgow, NSW) quickly became a soccer fan.

Othmane speaks both Arabic and French, neither language understood by Karen.

So the love birds communicate in either English or Italian.

Othmane, who played for Morocco's youth team in the 1984 World Youth Cup qualifiers, travelled to Italy to play soccer and learn the language.

We met this happy young couple recently at a special dinner organised by Sydney Olympic director Peter Dandinos at the Sydney seafood restaurant, Fishwives, for a brief chat.

"I have migrated to Australia to marry Karen next month and hopefully make the grade with Sydney Olympic and start a new life in Australia."

"Since arriving here on July 1, I have grown to love your country," Othmane told us.

"I have had four training sessions with Sydney Olympic and I realise soccer here is entirely different."

"It is much faster and harder."

"From the little I have seen, there seems to be little organisational play in the midfield in contrast to the European style."

"Here the game is much more physical and far more aggressive," Othmane told us.

Meanwhile, Sydney Olympic NSL coach Mick Hickman told us it was too early to tell whether Othmane will adapt to the NSL.

"Obviously, he will need a lot of time to settle in," he said.

"He has shown, though, that he has some good touches and skills."

In the meantime, the Moroccan international is looking for employment.

Slater joins Lens

ROBBIE Slater (pictured below) has joined French Second Division club Racing Lens.



Lens, a former well-credentialled First Division side, bought him outright from Anderlecht, of Belgium.

While there for 12 months, he was unable to break into their first team, but the Socceroo striker should be able to secure a starting berth in France.

He will also be handsomely paid for his services.

Though the Second Division does not pay the big money available in Division One, Slater, if he is a regular first team player, could earn around \$6,000 a month.

The style of football should suit him and it be very disappointing if he did not make an impact despite Eddie Krncevic's failure to be a factor last season with Mulhouse.

— LOU GAUTIER

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Recruitment already in hand

Bruce Banks of Sports Exchange Australia is currently in Denmark, promoting Australia's first Kanga Cup. He has a booth and all the necessary brochures set up at the Dana Cup. The Kanga Cup series will bring entries from all over Australia and hopefully the world. It is a combined promotion of the NSW Amateur Soccer Federation, Sports Exchange Australia and Soccer Football Enterprises. The centre will be Sydney from June 30-July 7 1991, and the various grades will be spread across the association districts.

What is the Kanga Cup?

The Kanga Cup is an international soccer tournament for boys, girls, men and women organised by the New South Wales Amateur Soccer Federation and is open to club, school and college teams in the relevant age brackets from clubs, schools and colleges throughout the world. The Kanga Cup will be played on beautifully prepared grass football fields in the picturesque city of Sydney and the surrounding areas.

Age Categories

- AA - Boys born on or after 1st August 1977.
- BB - Boys born on or after 1st August 1976.
- CC - Boys born on or after 1st August 1975.
- DD - Boys born on or after 1st August 1973.
- EE - Boys born on or after 1st August 1971.
- FF - Mens teams. No age limit.
- GG - Girls born on or after 1st August 1975.
- HH - Girls born on or after 1st August 1973.
- JJ - Girls born on or after 1st August 1971.
- KK - Womens teams. No age limit.

Suitable age identification will be necessary in all categories except the Mens All Age teams (FF) and the Womens All Age teams (KK).

There is no age limit to the number of players who may form part of your team, however a maximum of only 16 players may take part in each match.

Group and finals winners and runners-up from each age category will receive trophies and medals. There will also be a special award for top school/college in each age category.



Application Forms and Deposits

An application form appears overleaf. Further supplies are available by phoning the Kanga Cup offices.

All application forms must be forwarded along with your Team fee to arrive at the Kanga Cup offices no later than April 15 1991 and full payment is required no later than May 1 1991.

Applications may be sent independently of the team fee either by facsimile (International 612) 629 1051 or by posting to the Kanga Cup offices.

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Payment of fees may be made by posting a Bank cheque or money order to the Kanga Cup offices or by depositing into the Kanga Cup account.

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Tournament Information

All school and club teams are invited to join us in an unforgettable week of fun and football. We will accept all entries into the Kanga Cup and this will include some of the very best teams in the world.

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Once arriving in Sydney, your feet will hardly touch the ground, and apart from the important business of playing football you will be able to dance the night away at the Kanga Cup discos, relax as you cruise the most magnificent harbour in the world which the city of Sydney is built around or enjoy a sightseeing tour as well as any number of other activities which have been specially designed to ensure that you have the time of your life.

Team officials and leaders have not been forgotten either and they will be treated to a tournament banquet as well as each evening being able to relax for a while at the Kanga Cup Pubs and Clubs.

Each team participating in the Kanga Cup will be placed into a group of 5-6 teams and each team plays each other within the group to determine a group winner.

The winners from each group then advance to the elimination finals with the eventual Grand Finalists having the chance to play in front of a packed stadium.

Should your team be knocked out of the tournament, we will arrange for you to play friendly games if you wish or of course you can take the opportunity to enjoy the sights and hospitality that Australia's greatest city has to offer.

Generally each team will play a minimum of five tournament games.

Fees

Team fee: USD \$160 or Aust. \$200 per team.

Participant's fee: USD \$195 per player or Aust. \$240 per player.

Participants' fee includes:

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- Free admission to Kanga Cup Grand Finals;
- Free Kanga Cup official programme;
- Kanga Cup stickers;
- Certificate;
- Trophies and medals for winners and runners-up both for group and finals;
- Minimum of 5 tournament games per team



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SYDNEY CROATIA U14: Morris Sullivan (Coach), Rayko Buterin (Manager), Marko Rudan, Sean Babic, Zlatko Josluski, Anthony Zmire, Joseph Skoda, Zan Kukucka, John Pennock, Alain Machain, Tony Buterin, Michael Sincek, Tony Paulic, Tony Ivandic, David Komarek, Jackie Zekanovic. Pic: H. CARRASCO.



SYDNEY CROATIA U17: Eduardo Moerbeck (Coach), Omer Mrkic (Manager), John Perosh, Rocky Kinda, Darren McEntree, Ivan Vrljic, Aaron Holst, Mirko Jurilj, Jason Flynn, Fabian Screpis, Tony Milicic, Ante Moric, Martin Zakarija, Ivan Topic, Ante Krezo, Ante Matek, Jorge Vazquez. Pic: H. CARRASCO.



BLACKTOWN U17: Coach: D. Cachia, Manager: B. Walsh G. Bonskin, J. Taylor, R. Wallace, M. Lane, F. Julius, J. Walsh, C. Corapi, S. Worsford, M. Pullen, G. Chew, P. Sciberras, A. Cory, S. Coyle.



BLACKTOWN U15: Coach: Brian Hedley, Manager: Don Shrivington, David Sherwood, Gregory Byrne, Mark Jones, Andrew Kozak, Jeffrey Shrivington, Josip Simic, George Grivas, Stewart van Bentum, Lorenzo Flammia, Matthew Nicholls, Bret Klaassen, Tony Acevski, Franco Maleioglio, Matthew Venzlauskas. Pic: H. CARRASCO

Breakthrough in internationals

THE NSW Amateur Soccer Federation Ltd in conjunction with Sports Exchange Australia and Soccer Football Enterprises, will be hosting an eight day International Soccer Tournament in July 1991 to be known as the Kanga Cup.

The Kanga Cup is expected to become an annual event and will be the largest sporting event ever held in Australia in terms of numbers of participants, with as many as 1000 teams (up to 18,000 participants) expected in the first year.

A high level of interest is expected because the tournament is open to ten age groups of males and females including adults from school and club teams, both amateur and professional.

Tournaments such as these are all the rage across the length and breadth of Europe, the USA and even in South America.

Now, Australian and South Pacific club and school teams can also take part in a truly international soccer competition without the costs of long overseas flights.

Every team will be able to participate in the opening and closing ceremonies as well as compete in a minimum of five games.

Group winners will then move on to a series of finals with the last game to be played before expected large crowds at a major venue.

All participants will also receive free entry to nightly discos, a souvenir T-shirt, programme, team photograph, sticker, certi-

cate of participation, free entry to finals and entry into Kanga Cup Clubs and Pubs (subject to age).

Two officials from each team will also be eligible to participate in a catered coaches and managers night.

Medals will be provided for all age group

highest finishing school college in each age group.

Costs for all of the above will be \$200 per team and \$35 per participant.

Teams may also if they wish take advantage of the offer made to overseas teams and a harbour cruise or

equivalent for an additional \$200 per participant.

All NSWASF registered participants are automatically covered by player injury and public liability insurance arrangements already in place.

The accent of the Kanga Cup is on fun and enjoyment as well

INVITATION

Teams from all over the world are currently preparing to join NSW in an unforgettable week of football and festivities.

Boys and mens teams from your club from under 13 to All Age and girls and womens teams from under 15 to All Age are all eligible to take part in the Kanga Cup which is expected to become the largest sporting event, in terms of participants,

ever staged in this country.

The Kanga Cup represents a tremendous opportunity for you to not only pit your skills against teams from across the world, but also to be a part of history in the making, be able to meet and make friends with people from all walks of life and most importantly to have more fun in a week than you ever imagined was possible.

Tournaments such as these are the rage across the length and breadth of Europe and now finally you can also take part in a truly international soccer competition without crippling costs.

Teams living within close proximity to the relevant Kanga Cup venues will of course be able to fully participate without the added expense of accommodation and meals.

winners.

Trophies and medals will be provided for all ten age group finalists as well as the

receive eight nights basic accommodation, three meals per day, transport to and from accommodation and to and from venues, and

as skill. It will be an unforgettable week for all concerned and should become the highlight of every participant's year

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Ms Agius went on to say how much she and the coach and the girls appreciated the fantastic support and encouragement given them by the attending NSW official, Peter Wingrove and wife Eunice, Mrs Kym Maree Field of the NSW Soccer Federation, the NSW Federation itself, and the physio who attended the tournament with the team, Ms Kelly Woosnan.

All in all, it was a great series. The team had a ball and the consensus was that the trip was "AWESOME".



STATE ROBERTSON & AMATEUR CUP SEMI-FINALS

U14 Both games washed out scheduled, Sunday 5th August same time and place.

U16 Beverley Hills v ESI washed out Sunday 5th August same time and place.

U18: Springfield v Puggles 0-4.

U18: Neveby Lions v Georges River washed out, Sunday 5th August same time and place.

U18: Kirrawee v Mt Druitt Town 6-1.

Robertson Cup both games washed out, scheduled Sunday 5th August same time and place.

Amateur Cup Nth Epping Rangers v Engadine washed out, Sunday 5th August same time and place.

Amateur Cup: Carlingbah Rangers v Carlton Rovers 4-3p.

ERROR

In last week's issue we erroneously captioned a page 21 picture as South Australian manager Bill McIlveen, whereas Bill is the NSW Under 15 manager.

St Josephs IESUS Newington

Despite being a small and somewhat insular competition, the GPS (Great Public Schools) competition is a hotly contested affair and one which is capable of drawing some of the largest crowds for schoolboy soccer.

The competition proper is in its third year, however the history of soccer in GPS schools goes back more than 100 years and is credited with hosting the first organised game of soccer in Australia in 1880.

St Joseph's College are hotly tipped to regain their crown in 1990 when they meet current premiers Newington at Stanmore on Saturday.

The team is coached by Mark Fenech.

UMBRO YOUTH LEAGUE

DIVISION 1

		U13	U14	U15	U17
Syd Olympic	v St George	w/o			
APIA	v Cant/M v ie	w/o			
Syd Croatia	v Macarthur	2-2	3-2	3-0	3-3
Melita	v Illawarra	3-0	1-0	1-2	6-0
Blacktown City	v Nepean	2-0	1-0	1-1	0-1
Marconi	v Bankstown	4-0	5-0	0-0	1-0
Sutherland	v Sthn Districts	0-3	0-3	1-3	1-1
Illawarra	v Sydney Olympic	1-2	0-4	1-0	1-4
Blacktown City	v St George	—	—	1-1	—
Macarthur	v Marconi	—	—	0-1	—
APIA	v Cant/M v ie	2-0	0-1	2-0	0-0

DIVISION 2

Canterbury	v Ku-ring-gai	w/o			
Gladesville	v Granville	3-1	1-1	0-2	3-0
Manly Warringah	v Sthn & Eastern	1-0	0-3	1-2	3-1
Avala	v Polona	4-3	3-2	0-0	2-2
Blacktown	v Central Coast	w/o			
Rokdale	v Sthn Branch	1-2	0-3	6-	0-0

Mitre Metro Representatives

DIVISION A

		U11	U12
St George	v Canterbury	0-1	1-0
Granville	v Illawarra	3-0	4-1
Bankstown	v Macarthur	2-2	4-1
Sutherland	v Blacktown	3-0	3-0
Sthn Districts	v Sthn Branch	1-2	2-0

DIVISION B

Nepean	v Sthn & Eastern	6-2	0-1
Manly	v Macquarie	1-1	0-2
Gladesville	v Ku-ring-gai	0-1	1-0

ROUND 15

Manly	v Central Coast	1-0	—
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ROUND 11

Canterbury	v Illawarra	0-2	—
Sutherland	v Sthn Branch	0-0	—

1990 WORLD CUP PICTORIAL



Champions of the world! The victorious West German contingent celebrate their winners' medals

A TRIBUTE TO WEST GERMANY, WINNERS OF ITALIA '90



Andreas Brehme is beside himself after scoring the penalty which sealed West Germany's win over Argentina in the final at Rome's Olympic Stadium.



Rudi Voller in full cry. His dynamic, all-attacking style served the world champions well.

HOW THEY WON IT

- ★ v Yugoslavia 4-1
- ★ v United Arab Emirates 5-1
- ★ v Colombia 1-1
- ★ v Holland 2-1
- ★ v Czechoslovakia 1-0
- ★ v England 5-4(pen)
- ★ v Argentina 1-0



Jürgen Klinsmann (left) and Diego Maradona during the World Cup final. The Argentine star was mercilessly, and unjustly, booed in every Italian city, except Naples, throughout the finals.



1990 WORLD CUP PICTORIAL



Argentine referee Juan Loustau red cards Holland's Frank Rijkaard and West German Rudi Voller. The second phase match, won 2-1 by the Germans, was rated by some as the best game of the finals. It certainly did not lack intensity!



Peter Shilton saves one against the Irish. Italia '90 was the legendary English goalkeeper's international swansong.



Italy's Roberto Baggio and Mark Wright, of England, clash in the third place play-off, one of the better matches of Italia '90.



The ever-alert Salvatore Schillaci scores Italy's winner against Ireland after brave Irish goalkeeper Pat Bonner was only able to parry the initial shot. "Toto" was crowned top scorer of the series with six goals.



Hair's to you ... the two most striking hair styles of the World Cup were in direct competition when Cameroun's Cyrille Mekanaky and Colombian Carlos Valderrama clashed head-on.

1990 WORLD CUP PICTORIAL



Yugoslav's Dragan Stojkovic — his two marvellous goals against Spain were amongst the most brilliant individual exploits of Italia '90.



A dejected Stuart Pearce walks away from a relieved West German goalkeeper Bodo Illgner after missing the first of the two aborted shoot-out penalties that bundled England out of the World Cup.



Spanish midfielder Rafael Martin-Vazquez gives Yugoslavia's Hadzibegic the slip. Vazquez was one of the rare Spaniards to perform in Italy.



Gary Lineker collapses at the feet of Belgium's Leo Clijsters and goalkeeper Michel Preud'homme. England went on to win with a last-minute extra-time goal by David Platt.



Claudio Caniggia sprints past Brazilian goalkeeper Taffarel for the goal that put Argentina through to the quarter-finals, courtesy of a magical pass from Maradona.



Roger Milla about to score Cameroon's second eighth finals goal against Colombia as he skirts past goalkeeper Rene Higuita, whose catastrophic mistake opened the door for the 38-year-old sensation.



Yugoslav goalie Ivkovic saved this one off Rudi Voller's feet, but in the opening group match in Milan West Germany won in a canter, 4-1.



Scottish World Cup inquest

WHERE do we go from here?

That's the question Scottish soccer is facing after failing for the seventh time to get beyond the first phase of the World Cup.

Scotland's big name stars blew their country's best chance yet of progressing to the latter stages.

Now they must pick up the pieces in time for a European Championship campaign that kicks off in September.

Manager Andy Roxburgh can certainly point to the fact that his side had no luck in Italy.

But Scotland knew before a ball was kicked that an opening win against Costa Rica and a draw against Sweden would have sent them through.

Instead they botched it up again.

Magnificent though the Swedish win was, the Costa Rica flop and the fear they showed against Brazil proved too costly.

Some of the blame will lie at Roxburgh's door for his puzzling team selections.

But the real men to blame are the much-praised stars who failed to make their mark on the tournament.

Jim Leighton performed steadily. The blame for Scotland's exit cannot be laid at his door. But he was at fault for the Brazil goal which decided Scotland's fate.

The massive roar of relief which greeted his opening save against Costa Rica said it all.

Scotland's fans were not confident in their 'keeper. Roxburgh's loyalty to Leighton rather than going for the in-form Andy Gormam proved costly.

Possibly the biggest disappointment was the failure of Jim Bett and Paul McStay to provide a midfield spark.

Bett's World Cup lasted just 60 pathetic minutes against Costa Rica. He never used his precision passing and by the time he was substituted looked to have lost all interest.

That was unacceptable to the massive Scots support.

Their booing of 31-year-old Bett's unwillingness to battle for them should mean his international days are over.

McStay knows he failed to produce the World Cup that was expected to him. Quite frankly, he looked burned out.

A heavy season in the midfield battleground of the Premier Division is no preparation for Italia '90 and the added strain of having to captain Celtic through a nightmare season added to his burden.

But those who say he should not play for Scotland again are talking rubbish. McStay is a talented player and they are not overwhelmed in that area.



MAURICE MALPAS — one of the few Scots whose reputation remains intact after Italia '90.

Flop

The strike force of Mo Johnston, Alan McNally and Ally McCoist was also a big flop.

If Jim Leighton is to blame for his Brazil blunder then Johnston also carries the can for two astonishing misses that cost Scotland their passage into the next round.

The one against Costa Rica was bang in front of goal. The last-minute slash against Brazil was three metres out. Great saves, maybe, but world-class strikers don't miss from that range.

McCoist, a sub until the Brazil match, was a disaster in Turin. His touch was way out and he left Italy without a shot on goal.

McNally's Costa Rica nightmare was surpassed only by Bett.

He failed to find the target with two free headers, although Gordon Durie did little better against the Swedes.

On the credit side, Roy Aitken, Murdo MacLeod and Alex McLeish gave valuable performances but are now all the wrong side of 30.

The only bright signs to emerge from Italy were the good displays of Stuart McCall, Craig Levein and Maurice Malpas.

McCall was Scotland's best player. The tireless Everton midfielder was a revelation with his battling approach and even showed the Brazilians that he could offer imaginative passes.

Levein played only one game due to injury but his pace at the back and superb use of the ball against Sweden show the Scots need him as a permanent fixture.

Malpas is Mr Consistency. Tidy in defence, his raids down the left showed he was one of Scotland's more competent players.

This trio, all in their mid-20s, must form the nucleus of the next Scots side.

John Collins must also get his chance, while Scotland should revert to the old tradition of wingers like Pat Nevin or Kevin Gallacher.

Otherwise, the future could be even bleaker than the agony of Italy.

— courtesy SHOOT

World Cup choices

THE mass-circulation FRANCE FOOTBALL has selected a controversial "Team of the 1990 World Cup" to say the least.



West German players dominate World Cup choices.

This is the team selected by the magazine's 12 reporters in Italy:

Conejo (Costa Rica), Pearce (England), Kohler (West Germany), Wright (England), Brehme (West Germany), Stojkovic (Yugoslavia), Jozic (Yugoslavia), Matthaus (West Germany), Scifo (Belgium), Omam-Biyik (Cameroun), Milla (Cameroun).

The publication's

"Coach of the World Cup" is Franz Beckenbauer.

FRANCE FOOTBALL also selected the best players of every competing country.

They are: Germany: Brehme, England: Gascoigne, Argentina: Goygochea, Austria: Lindemberger, Belgium: Scifo, Brazil: Dunga, Cameroun: Milla, Colombia: Valderrama, South

Korea: Myung-bo, Costa Rica: Conejo, Scotland: McColl, Egypt: Shoubair, Ireland: Houghton, UAE: Talyani, Spain: Martin-Vazquez, USA: Ramos, Italy: Schillaci, Holland: Rijkaard, Romania: Popescu, Sweden: Stromberg, Czechoslovakia: Skuhravy, USSR: Kuznetsov, Uruguay: Alvez, Yugoslavia: Jozic.

The influential Italian sports weekly GUERIN SPORTIVO has given points, out of a maximum of 10, to the 24 World Cup teams.

They read: West Germany 9, Argentina 8.5, England 8, Italy 8, Cameroun 7.5, Czechoslovakia 7, Costa Rica 7, Ireland 7, Yugoslavia 7, Belgium 6.5, Romania 6.5, Egypt 6.5, Colombia 6, Spain 6, Brazil 5, South Korea 5, Scotland 5, Uruguay 5, Austria 4, United Arab Emirates 4, Holland 4, USA 4, USSR 4, Sweden 4.

GREECE'S SOVIET TRIO



TOP Greek club Olympiakos has signed three Soviet players, including World Cup stars Oleg Protasov and Igor Dobrovolsky.

The Greek Cup holders also signed striker Yuri Savicev, from Torpedo Moscow, who toured Australia this year.

The club gave no financial details.

Protasov, 26, was signed from Dynamo Kiev and played in both the last two World Cups.

In 1985 he broke the Soviet goalscoring record with 35 goals in 34 league matches.

Midfielder Dobrovolsky, a rising star internationally and with Dynamo Moscow, will replace Hungary's Lajos Detari who has transferred to Bologna in the Italian First Division for \$5 million.

Detari was Olympiakos' only foreign player last season.

"We bought the best players in the Soviet market."

"Now Olympiakos will be able to challenge any team," said the club's owner Argyris Saliarelis.



TAYLOR BREEZES IN

GRAHAM TAYLOR breezed into England's soccer headquarters as the national team's new manager, pledging to eradicate the country's staid, traditional coaching methods.

He has promised to wear a tracksuit rather than a shirt and tie, and suggests the unprecedented tactic of taking coaching sessions at England's major clubs as part of his team-building plan.

And following England's semi-final appearance in the World Cup in Italy, Taylor says his target is to win the trophy in the United States in 1994.

But his first day as manager saw him immediately lose one member of his staff when under-21 team boss Dave Sexton resigned.

The 45-year-old Taylor has signed a four-year contract to succeed Bobby Robson, who ended an eight-year reign with the World Cup semi-final loss to West Germany.

Taylor has 19 years of club coaching experience with Lincoln City,



Watford and Aston Villa, and has managed English youth teams, including the under 18s, which reached the 1983 European Youth Championships semi-finals.

His first match in charge will be a friendly against Hungary in Budapest on September 12.

And, of course, Taylor's replacement at Aston Villa is the Czechoslovak, Joe Venglos, the man the Football Federation deemed too 'expensive' for the Soccerroo post.



OLEG PROTASOV: off to seek his fortune in Greece with the well-heeled Olympiakos with countrymen Dobrovolsky and Savicev.

21st Century stadium at Liverpool

LIVERPOOL and Everton, two of Britain's biggest football clubs, could be sharing a \$A300 million, 67,000 all-seater stadium by 1993.

The plan has been proposed by Liverpool City Council and Stadium Mersey Ltd, and will be located on a 200-acre site near the Aintree Racecourse.

The stadium, which will be privately funded, is a joint design by architects David Lyons and Associates of Wakefield, and Ellerbe Beckett of Kansas City, USA.

Ellerbe Beckett, considered world leaders in stadium design, built the Redskins Stadium in Washington, DC.

Bill Young, managing director of Stadium Mersey, has been preparing the bid for

six months, with management consultants Coopers & Lybrand completing a feasibility study. "There could never be a better time or place. We want to build a football stadium that will provide comfort and safety for supporters and their families," said Young.

The proposed site is four kilometres from Liverpool's Anfield and Everton's Goodison Park grounds.

These are considered among the finest football grounds in the League, with capacities of 46,000 and 53,000 respectively.

The Taylor Report's recommendations for all-seater stadiums, however, will reduce ground capacities, and the consequent loss of revenue could make the move to a large seated ground more attractive.

The Madison Square Gardens Corporation, from New York, has agreed to act as operators for the venue.

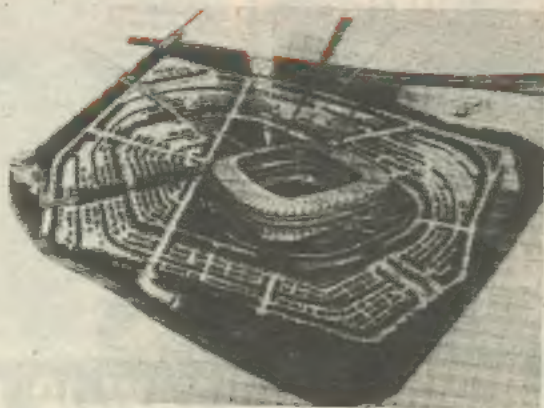
Space has also been set aside for further leisure facilities, including restaurants, cinema and bowling centre.

Rogan Taylor, ex-chairman of the Football Supporters Association and a Liverpool fan, was relaxed at the possibility of moving from Anfield:

"The FSA recommended the building of regional 'super stadia' to Justice Taylor, and we sited one very close to where his new one might be.

"I gather it is going to be quite an intimate stadium, which is an important feature.

"There are two very intimate grounds in Liverpool, particularly Anfield — it's like a



huddle of people throwing dice.

"Some have said 'I never want to leave', which you've got to expect, while at the other end, 30 to 40 per cent of Liverpool fans come from over 50 miles away and they won't mind too much.

"Then there is a substantial number of people who want to see some major advantages for supporters

developing from this."

The construction of a high quality, all-seated stadium in the north of England is bound to provoke speculation about the future of the national team at Wembley, where the FA is contracted until 2002.

"I think that pressure can be exerted to convert the national team into something more than just a Lon-

don club," says Rogan Taylor.

Stadium Mersey Ltd is a subsidiary of Stadium City Ltd, the major shareholders in the \$460m Meadowhall shopping and leisure centre in Sheffield, which is due to open in September 1990.

Non-football commercial development around the Aintree site will interest private investors.

Anfield and Goodison Park occupy just 15 acres between them, while the new scheme aims to employ the entire 200-acre site, offering parking space for 12,500 cars.

If the proposals are accepted, a second phase will include a 20,000-seat indoor arena and a major exhibition hall.



ROGER MILLA — miffed over France's lack of interest in his Italia '90 exploits, the 38-year-old has now joined Austrian club First Vienna.

Roger Milla's French attack

ROGER Milla, the veteran hero of Cameroun's World Cup team, says he wants to play soccer professionally again but would never return to France.

"I don't want to play with the French any more. All through my career they have exploited me," he claimed.

"They never showed me the least respect. I had to wait until the outcome of the World Cup before I was invited to appear on French television.

"It's disgusting," he said.

Milla, whose four goals helped Cameroun become the first African team to reach the World Cup quarter-finals, played with five French clubs up to the end of the 1988-89 season.

He then went into semi-retirement and played with amateur club St Pierre on the French Indian Ocean island of La Reunion.

His surprising outburst went against his remarks in Italy in which he said he would be happy to play in France again.

"If someone in France wants me, I'll be glad to offer my services," he had told reporters in Bari last month.

Milla created something of a surprise when he joined Austria's oldest club, First Vienna, last week.

After receiving many offers, including one from Adelaide City, he

settled on the Viennese club and it is reported he will earn \$228,000 a year.

His two-year contract also stipulates that part of his fee will go towards the development of soccer in Cameroun.



Striker Andress Ogris: despite only one goal at Italia '90 with a very disappointing Austrian team, he is being chased by several European clubs.

Nicolas goes home

SCOTLAND international striker Charlie Nicholas rejoined Glasgow Celtic, seven years after he left the club to try his luck in English soccer.

The 28-year-old, who played for Arsenal from 1983-88, completed a \$1.1 million transfer from Aberdeen and said he was delighted to be back.

"I always knew that if I stayed in Britain, Celtic was the only club I was interested in.

"My feelings for Celtic are well known. I always wanted to come back," he said.

The move also reunited Nicholas with manager Billy McNeill, who was in charge when Nicholas first joined the club.

"He is a much more intelligent player now — someone who will play his heart out for the team rather than try to grab the glory for himself," McNeill said.

RENE HIGUITA STILL "CRAZY"

RENE Higuita will not be changing his spectacular goalkeeping style — despite his disastrous mistake which provided Cameroun with their second goal against Colombia in the World Cup eighth finals.



Higuita says: "I have always played like that and my teams have been successful so there is no reason for me to change. Besides, it would not be me."

Nor is his international place in jeopardy. Colombia coach Francisco Maturana insists: "It is only human to make mistakes. It is a lesson which Rene has learned the hard way."



RENE HIGUITA — not about to surrender his eccentric goalkeeping style.

Is Maradona Japan-bound?

A Tokyo sports daily has linked Diego Maradona with three Japanese clubs, saying one is willing to pay \$16 million to sign him.

PJM Futures, a club owned by billionaire Taira Arita, made the bid in Rome during the World Cup finals which ended in bitterness for Maradona.

Maradona's Napoli contract runs out in 1992 and the Nikkan Sports paper says three clubs, including PJM, have shown interest.

Euro-92 hotting up

WITH the World Cup over, it's all systems go for the 1992 European Championship.

Just to refresh your memory, these are the qualifying groups:

Group 1: Spain, Czechoslovakia, France, Iceland, Albania.

Group 2: Romania, Scotland, Bulgaria, Switzerland, San Marino.

Group 3: Italy, USSR, Hungary, Norway, Cyprus.

Group 4: Yugoslavia, Denmark, Austria, Northern Ireland, Faroe

Islands.

Group 5: West Germany, Belgium, Wales, Luxembourg.

Group 6: Holland, Portugal, Greece, Finland, Malta.

Group 7: England, Republic of Ireland, Poland, Turkey.

The winner of each group qualifies for the Euro-92 finals in Sweden.

East Germany, who were drawn in the same group as East Germany,

have pulled out because of the impending reunification of the two Germans.

One match has already been played, Iceland defeating Albania 2-0 on May 28, but qualifiers will come thick and fast, starting in September.

SBS-TV will be showing several of the qualifiers on 'World Soccer', the popular programme now 10 years old, at 5.30pm Saturdays.

— LOU GAUTIER